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Planning Board considers by-law amendment on ADUs

By **LIZZY HILL**
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The Wilmington Planning Board's discussion of proposed edits to the town by-law regarding permitted accessory dwelling units continued during their meeting on Tuesday, April 1.

Director of Planning and Conservation Valerie Gingrich explained that the board wanted to follow up on the conversation from the joint public hearing with the Finance Committee in March

about the proposed new by-law language around accessory dwelling units.

She reminded them that they largely discussed changing the maximum size allowed from 900 square feet to 1,250 square feet, the latter of which is the permitted size in the existing bylaw.

She clarified that the town's current bylaw is not compliant with the state law, as the existing language requires owner occupancy and only allows attached accessory dwelling units, but the state law prohibits these

restrictions.

The board merely wanted to keep the proposed language for the upcoming Town Meeting to match the state law but consider increasing from 900 square feet (the state law's maximum) to 1,250 square feet.

Emma Battaglia pointed out that accessory dwelling unit language matching that of the state law could typically be voted by simple majority, but she wasn't sure whether that would still be the case if they increased the permitted size of ac-

cessory dwelling units from what the state law suggests. It could require a 2/3 majority vote.

Deanna Craig asked why they couldn't add a second option for an accessory dwelling unit meeting the state law's requirement while keeping the current language and its restrictions. Gingrich reminded the board that they discussed this in the past but felt that residents wouldn't support language that allowed potentially two accessory dwelling units on one lot. Craig therefore won-

dered what would happen if they proposed 1,250 square feet plus the other state law restrictions but the article failed to pass Town Meeting vote.

Gingrich said that this would effectively create two options for accessory dwelling units allowed in the bylaw, which may translate into allowing two accessory dwelling units on one lot.

The board agreed that they could create language that complies with the state standard but allows a greater size, as the town is allowed to be

more permissive than the state, but not more restrictive.

Gingrich then said that she could talk to town counsel to help create the wording for a motion to be made by the board at Town Meeting to increase the permitted size from the proposed article. She also said that this could require changing the definition of an accessory dwelling unit.

The board seemed to favor increasing the size cap to 1,250 square feet

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Planning Board approves sign special permits

By **LIZZY HILL**
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — At the Planning Board meeting on Tuesday April 1, the board continued public hearings, accepted draft decisions prepared for various requests, and discussed the subdivision control law regarding paper streets.

For a sign special permit for 355 Middlesex Ave., Nick Jarvas explained on behalf of Closet Factory that the proposed sign would have halo-illuminated letters consistent with the existing sign and similar to that of other nearby signs. He confirmed that they had permission from Channel Realty to place the sign at this location.

Director of Planning and Conservation Valerie Gingrich stated that the building inspector reviewed this request and confirmed the

need for the special permit as it wasn't on the frontage of the business itself. Gingrich also mentioned they needed to fix the dimensions on the draft decisions, and the board approved the decisions with the amendment once the applicant confirmed the number.

The public hearing for the 81G and stormwater management permit for Safford Street continued and expanded into a definitive subdivision. The project's representative shared that they discussed with town counsel that the 81G process they pursued didn't address the official map statute, and so they were pursuing town counsel's suggested new route.

Chair Terence Boland agreed with the suggestion that the board's substantive review would be the same whether they use

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Gowing Road extension reviewed by Planning Board

By **LIZZY HILL**
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WILMINGTON — The public hearing for a proposed definitive subdivision plan and stormwater management permit for an extension of Gowing Road began at the Planning Board's April 1 meeting.

Luke Roy, of LJR Engineering, shared that this project included properties at 15 Gowing Road and 43 Marcus Road, amounting to around 3.5 total acres of land area. He shared that surrounding properties were mostly zoned R-10 and R-20.

These two properties currently held single-family homes and lawns, and most of the rest was

wooded. He added that the entirety of the space is within the groundwater protection district.

Roy went on to describe that the project proposes extending the roadway by approximately 300 feet and then constructing four additional homes. Out of the two lots they would create six lots total. The house at 43 Marcus Road will remain on the first lot, while the dwelling at 15 Gowing Road would be raised and reconstructed on the last lot.

The roadway would be extended with a pavement width of 28 feet and end in a 100-foot-diameter cul-de-sac. They were proposing a sidewalk on the southern side of the roadway. Roy provided that he discussed reconstructing the intersection of Gowing Road and Marcus Road to a more standard configuration with a stop sign.

A portion of the existing pavement would be removed and turned into green space.

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Hundreds turn out to protest Trump, Musk



By **ROSALYN IMPINK**
News Correspondent

BILLERICA — Hundreds of Merrimack Valley residents took to the Billerica Town Common on April 5 to participate in the nationwide Hands Off! pro-democracy protest to condemn actions of the Trump administration and Elon Musk to dismantle the federal government.

More than 1,000 protests have been organized across the country for a day of action, drawing hundreds of thousands of participants.

The protest brought together residents from Billerica, Tewksbury, Wilmington, and other surrounding towns, as well as community groups.

The social justice committee at Billerica's First Parish Church sponsored the protest; organizer Lisa O'Connor said she was inspired to bring local action to the community after attending protests in Boston.

She said that while 300 people had registered, over 500 were estimated to have shown up.

"People are here for whatever reason, there are so many different reasons to be out here, whether it's for LGBTQ rights, for veterans, Social Security, cuts to education," she said. "Everything is so cruel and awful and now our economy is in the tank. People need to know they have a voice — I'm afraid in a year we won't have these rights to be out here and protest."

Billerica's Trek Reef, a seminary student, said that he wanted to "[show] this community that there are people who care about this democracy, who care



about the rights of other people, and to live into our revolutionary spirit as a community. Our community fought for the Revolution... those ideals still haven't been met totally in

our world, and it feels like we're heading in a backwards direction. My goal is uniting people behind community-building, rather than finding ways to feel better about our politics

when other people are losing their rights."

First Parish Minister Steve Wilson was impressed with the turnout and

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Tuesday, April 15, 2 p.m.
Wednesday, April 16, 2 p.m.
Thursday, April 17, 2 p.m.
Saturday, April 19, 2 p.m.
Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

Bookends Book Group

Monday, April 14, 10 a.m.
This book group discusses contemporary books, both fiction and non-fiction, led by Library Associate Rebecca. Copies of the book are available in the library. Featured Book: The Jackal's Mistress by Chris Bohjalian.

Needleworkers at Night

Monday, April 14, 6 - 8 p.m.
These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! Drop-in.

How to Spot a Scam

Monday, April 14, 7 p.m.
Technology librarian, Brad, will help you learn about such scams as browser hijacks, phishing, and smishing scams.

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I'm in, What's Next: After College Acceptance

Tuesday, April 15, 7 p.m.
You got accepted to college; congratulations! The big question now is: how will I pay the bill? In this session, attendees will review the differences in college financial aid offers, appeals, how to hunt for scholarships, and the use of resources to finalize a family's financing strategy.

Novel Ideas

Thursday, April 17, 7 p.m.
Enjoy reading fiction? Join the library's fiction book group led by Adult Services Librarian Erin Driscoll. Please stop by the library to pick up a copy of the featured book. Featured Book: The Jackal's Mistress by Chris Bohjalian.

Needleworkers

Friday, April 18, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
This is a social group for those who do any kind of needle craft. Bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, etc. and enjoy conversation and camaraderie. Drop-in.



▲ Join us on Thursday, April 17 for another fun Playful Pathways Program. Use your engineering skills to see who can build the strongest structure in this Construction and Building Unit! (Courtesy photo)

Virtual Poetry Circle

Saturday, April 19, 9:15 a.m.
Do you enjoy writing poetry? Want input on your work? If so, this group is for you. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras.

Visible Mending With Mariko

Saturday, April 19, 2:30 p.m.
Do you have any clothing that has rips, pesky stains or holes in it that you'd like to mend? Join Mariko Sugimori for an introduction to visible mending.

Youth Programs

Bilingual Story Hour

Monday, April 14, 10 a.m.
Practice using your home language or learning a new language with the Community Teamwork Family Resource Network! Ages 0-6

Mindful Movement

Tuesday, April 15, 4 p.m.
Join library pals as we flow through children's yoga poses, mindful movements, and read some books to help us grow in mindfulness and peace. Grades K-2

Teen Leadership Council

Tuesday, April 15, 6 p.m.
Are you interested in advocating for what you want at WML? Have you volunteered before, but

want to commit to more? Join our Teen Leadership Council! Grades 7-12

Learn to Crochet for Teens

Tuesday, April 15, 6 p.m.
Teens & tweens, learn to crochet! This program provides an introduction to everything that you need to know about the world of crochet, including how to make your own items by following patterns. Grades 6-12

Playful Pathways: Tools for Learning

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During our Construction and Building Unit, we will use our engineering skills to build the strongest structure! Ages 0-5

Manga Tryouts

Thursday, April 17, 3:30 p.m.

Have a say in manga purchased for the teen collection with this club! During each meeting, we'll sample 1st volumes of different manga and vote on whether it should be added to WML's collection. Grades 6-12

Family Movie Matinee: Moana 2

Friday, April 18, 10 a.m.
Spend your day off with us at this special library event! Watch Moana 2 and enjoy delicious popcorn! All Ages

Switch It Up: Video Game Club

Friday, April 18, 3 p.m.

Love video games? Come to this once-a-month video game club to play Switch games with friends! Grades 1-5

MaryBeth Maes — Music, Movement and More

Saturday, April 19, 11 a.m.
Join MaryBeth Maes for an interactive music and movement program, using instruments, scarves, balls, bubbles and more! Ages 0-5, siblings welcome.

Additional Information

New Museum Pass — Public Health Museum!
Wilmington Memorial Library now offers a pass to the Public Health Museum in Tewksbury, MA. Opened in 1994, the museum collection consists of records and artifacts from the nation's public health history. Walking tours of the 800-plus acres of the campus, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, are also available. Please visit <https://wilmingtonlibrary.org/services/mp/> for more information.

Recommended Reads!

Every month brings a new opportunity to expand your reading horizons, and we're here to help! Check out our curated lists, tailored to provide book recommendations for all ages on a variety of topics. Please visit <https://wilmingtonlibrary.org/services/recommended-reads/> for more!

Registration is Open: Thursday, May 8, 6:30 p.m.

(The Fez Room at the Shriner's Auditorium)
Wilmington Memorial Library is hosting best-selling novelist Chris Bohja-

lian whose newest book The Jackal's Mistress comes out in March! This first event in our new off-site author series will feature a presentation by Mr. Bohjalian, book sales/signing, a cash bar, and light refreshments. Registration is now open: <https://bit.ly/wmlbehindthebook>

Annual Poetry Contest: Submission's Open Now!

Celebrate National Poetry Month by submitting to our Annual Poetry Contest: Verse vs. Verse! This year's theme revolves around play, gaming, and connection — just like our Summer Reading Program! For more information, visit wilmingtonlibrary.org/poetry2025. Plus, join us for a Poetry Night on May 7 at 6 p.m. to celebrate the winners and enjoy refreshments. The deadline to submit a poem is Wednesday, April 30.

Book Store Next Door

Regular hours are back at The Book Store Next Door! The bookstore is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Museum Passes

The library has discounted passes to your favorite Massachusetts museums, attractions, and state parks. Find the full list by visiting www.wilmingtonlibrary.org/services/mp.

WML In-Person & Virtual Programming

Registration is required for most in-person programs and is required for all virtual programs, as you will need to register in order to receive the Zoom link. You can register on our website at www.wilmingtonlibrary.org or by calling (978) 658-2967.

Wilmington landlord's nuisance hearing in Woburn continued until May 6

By PATRICK BLAIS

WOBURN — At the advice of City Solicitor Mark Salvati, the City Council last week again stayed a potential public nuisance declaration against a Maywood Terrace property. During their latest gathering in City Hall, Ward 5 Councilor Darlene Mercer-Bruen referenced correspondence from Salvati that suggested the owner of 4 Maywood Terrace is still waiting for an alleged problem tenant to vacate the three-bedroom house by the Kennedy Middle School.

According to Salvati's letter, Wilmington resident Deborah McLaughlin, who owns the East Woburn property, has indicated that she will initiate eviction proceedings against the renters should they not vacate the home by the end of this month.

"Please be advised... that if the current tenants do not vacate the premises by April 30, the owner of 4 Maywood Terrace will be initiating eviction proceedings and will provide evidence [to my office] of the same," the city's chief legal advisor wrote. "Because of this, it is my recommendation that the council continue this [public hearing] until May 6."

The council ultimately voted unanimously to adopt the city solicitor's recommendation and will revisit the matter on May 6. However, in order to ensure that area abutters do not have to deal with a re-emergence of trash, rodent, and other alleged quality-of-life issues involving the Beach Street area residence, Mercer-Bruen and her colleagues will also ask Building Commissioner Thomas Quinn to keep a close eye on the neighborhood in the weeks to come.

"I would like to send a communication to Commissioner Quinn to make sure the property is being kept up as promised and to make sure no other conditions are deteriorating," said Mercer-Bruen. "For the neighbors, this has been a long process and I hope we can wrap this up very soon for their sake."

Back in November, the City Council opened the proceedings against the Wilmington landlord at the urging of Quinn, who documented a series of zoning and public safety

complaints regarding excessive trash being strewn about the property and related rodent activity, the parking of a tractor-trailer in the driveway, and people sleeping or hanging out in abandoned vehicles.

A number of neighborhood residents also used the initial public hearing to recount issues involving unruly house parties and domestic squabbles that required police interventions, suspicious interactions between visitors to the house that appeared to be drug related, and safety issues involving unsupervised children playing in the street.

Since that time, McLaughlin has taken various steps to redress the situation, including removing a half-filled above-ground pool from the back yard, cleaning up trash and debris that had piled up on the property, repairing a dilapidated stairwell to a rear porch, and making arrange-

ments to have an unregistered vehicle towed away.

The Wilmington resident has also purchased new trash receptacles in an attempt to discourage rodent activity and agreed to let the building commissioner inspect the house.

Typically, the council uses its public nuisance powers to leverage landlords into making improvements on rundown properties.

In most circumstances, the threat of a formal public nuisance declaration is enough to convince property owners to conduct maintenance and repairs.

However, if attempts at mediation fail, the City Council retains the authority to order cleanup operations, and it has in limited circumstances even ordered entire buildings razed.

Earlier this winter, McLaughlin reported the family that is currently renting the house was getting ready to vacate the premises.

Upcoming local events

April 7-13, Public Health Week, Public Health Museum Virtual and In-Person Events all week. [PublicHealthMuseum.org](http://publichealthmuseum.org).

April 9, Tewksbury Community Health Fair, 1 - 4 p.m., Tewksbury Senior Center. Give away, health screenings, food trucks, fun!

April 21-25, April Vacation Camp at Tewksbury Rec. 2 day minimum, camp runs 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Call 978-454-7825 to register www.greaterlowellymca.org

April 26, Town Clean Up Day, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Pick up bags at DPW, 999 Whipple Road, pick up trash around town and return. Community service hours. Even an hour helps! Clean.up.tewksbury@gmail.com.

April 26, Friends of the Tewksbury Public Library Annual Meeting, 10 a.m. - Noon. 300 Chandler St.

April 27, Power of Flowers Murder Mystery Event, 1 p.m., Stevens Estate in North Andover. Pofproject.org for tickets. <https://rb.gy/ddi460>.

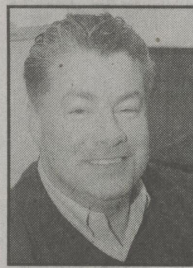
May 10, Bloom Festival, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Grow Greenhouses, 1 Greenhouse Road, Tewksbury. Plants, gifts, garden items. pofproject.org.

September 13, 2025 — Wilmington High School Class of 1975 50th reunion, live band, dancing, buffet dinner, cash bar. Pay by April 1 — \$85, April 2 - July 1 — \$90, July 2 through last minute walk-ins — \$95. Register and pay at: <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/high-school-class-reunion-temp-65333/items?cart> Questions? Steve Brander skbrander@gmail.com Reunion Organizers: Steve Brander / Vin Scifo / Helen Ryba

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Alternatives to consider in place of eggs for Easter

By **HEATHER BURNS**
News Correspondent

A beautiful basket of brightly colored Easter eggs is arguably a recognized symbol of a springtime Easter celebration.

Although the practice of dyeing eggs dates back centuries, the Easter tradition of coloring eggs may be in jeopardy for this Easter season.

Due to the widespread Bird Flu that has affected the current egg supply, consumers can not only expect to pay a premium price for a dozen eggs, they should also expect that there will be a shortage of eggs on supermarket shelves.

According to a survey done by World Population Review, the current average price for a dozen eggs in Massachusetts is \$5.04 per dozen, and during the upcoming spring holiday season the U.S. Department of Agriculture expects egg prices to go up 41 percent over last year's record high prices.

With eggs playing a prominent role in both the Easter celebration and the Passover celebration, both which take place in the month of April, eggs will definitely be in high demand this month.

To avoid the turbulent egg market this holiday, many consumers are looking for alternative solu-

tions to replace the festive egg coloring tradition of past years.

Luckily, the use of any food-safe dye kits, such as the popular PAAS egg coloring kits, make it easy to dye other types of foods that you may want to consider substituting for eggs this holiday season.

This year, consider substituting boiled potatoes for boiled eggs.

Potatoes are surprisingly as easy to dye as eggs, and may be a less expensive and more available alternative to the traditional egg.

Choose potatoes that have a light skin color, with a relatively smooth surface, and only par-boil potatoes to ensure they hold their shape.

Because they have a similar shape and weight as an egg, they will also be easy to hide and find for little-ones hands when participating in an Easter hunt.

Marshmallows are also an inexpensive alternative to eggs as they dye well, creating a pleasant, watercolor effect.

Brightly colored marshmallows are a welcome addition to any Easter basket or holiday dessert table, and will most likely not go uneaten.

Sugar cookie dough can easily be dyed in a variety of pastel colors to make festive Easter egg cookies to replace traditional eggs.

After dyeing the dough, roll out the dough and use an egg shaped cookie cutter, or make an egg pattern out of wax paper, and cut the dough with a knife around the pattern.

Once cookies are baked, use your imagination to decorate with frostings and candy to create one of a kind and delicious "Easter eggs."

Boiled or raw pasta is another food that is inexpensive and can be easily dyed.

Boiled large shell shaped pasta can be dyed in a similar way as dyeing eggs. When they dry, fill with your favorite stuffed shell filling. After filling, rotate the shell upside down in the serving dish to create an illusion of a tray of colored "eggs," making for a festive addition to your Easter meal.

Dry or uncooked pasta is another alternative to use for a fun holiday activity.

Use a variety of uncooked pasta shapes for kids to paint or dye. When they are dry, they can be strung on a piece of yarn to make a necklace or bracelet, or glued to a posterboard for a festive Easter work of art.

If you are looking for an egg substitute that looks just like an egg, but you don't mind that they can not be eaten, then there are plenty of alternatives available.

Lifestyle



▲ Craft eggs are artificial, ready to paint or dye, and come in several price points and mediums. Just one of many low cost and readily available alternatives you can use to avoid the high cost an unreliable supply of real eggs this holiday season. (Heather Burns photo)

Dyeable "craft eggs" are sold by the dozen, and are available at many craft stores, big box stores and online.

The price range for these dyeable "artificial eggs" is between \$2 and \$4 a dozen, and are typically sold with the dye included. Although not a tremendous savings from the price of real eggs, keep in mind these eggs can be used year after year for holiday decor.

There are other types of craft eggs that are available in such mediums as clay, wood, ceramic, glass, paper mache, and plastic, and all come undecorated, ready for paint, glitter, glue, stickers or whatever stimulates your creative mind.

Prices vary for these types of eggs depending on the material of the egg, but these eggs can also be displayed year after year, making for "priceless" memorable keepsakes.

Another less expensive and fun option to egg coloring is rock painting.

Although smooth, perfectly shaped rocks can be purchased at local craft stores, searching for rocks in the "wild" of your backyard, a wooded trail, or a local park can be an added adventure to this art project.

The hunt for egg-shaped rocks outside is a fun activity for your family, and painting these egg shaped rocks can be a creative

outlet for both kids and adults.

After finding the perfect rock, be sure to wash thoroughly with soap and water, then let dry completely before decorating.

As with other "faux eggs" painted rocks can be a keepsake of your holiday that you will cherish for years to come.

This holiday season, don't let the disruption of the egg supply put a crack in your holiday fun.

With a little creativity and resourcefulness, you can avoid feeling like you have egg on your face by still providing an "eggcellent" holiday experience that just might become a new family tradition.

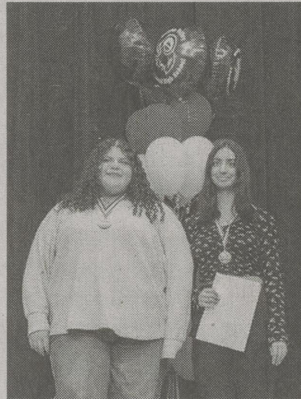
Shawsheen Tech wins 57 medals at SkillsUSA district competition

BILLERICA —Shawsheen Valley Technical High School is proud to celebrate a remarkable achievement at the 2025 SkillsUSA District 4 competition, held on March 14. Competing against six vocational schools in the region, including Essex Tech, Nashoba Tech, and Greater Lawrence Tech, Shawsheen students delivered an outstanding performance, earning 57 medals across a wide range of events.

A total of 156 students represented Shawsheen in 86 career and leadership competitions, showcasing their technical abilities, professionalism, and preparation. Their efforts resulted in 18 gold, 14 silver, and 25 bronze medals, many of which qualify students for the state-level SkillsUSA competition in May.

During a celebratory assembly on March 24, Assistant Chapter Advisor Karen Meister applauded the students' dedication and drive. "This achievement reflects the students' commitment to excellence and their focus on future career success," Meister said.

The SkillsUSA competition series challenges students through three key assessments: a hands-on technical test (70%), a professional development and employability exam (20%), and an OSHA safety eval-



▲ Shawsheen's Medical Assisting students excelled in the Medical Terminology competition. Isabella Molina (left) earned bronze, while Nishtha Lamsal (right) brought home the gold.

(Photo Credit: Allison Cammarata)

uation (10%). These events provide a real-world platform for students to apply their career and technical education, while receiving feedback from industry professionals.

"The mission of the Skills USA Championships is to celebrate student excellence, strengthen industry connections, and ensure that training remains aligned with workforce needs," Meister added.

Shawsheen Tech extends its heartfelt congratulations to all participants and proudly recognizes the 57 medalists:

Gold Medalists: Maria Cafaro, Alyssa Costanti-



▲ Shawsheen students earned gold in the Health Knowledge Bowl! From left to right: Kylie McLaughlin, Corrine Foley, and Melissa Lavine (not pictured: Alaina Powell) earned first place at the SkillsUSA District competition.

(Photo Credit: Allison Cammarata)

ello, Jessica DeChellis, Devyn Donnelly, Jason Flavin, Corrine Foley, Dale Gardner, Autumn Halas, Brendan Ingersoll, Nishtha Lamsal, Melissa Lavine, Madeline Long, Kylie McLaughlin, Thomas Peterson, Alaina Powell, Haley Ricker, Isaac Schmidt, Michael Ware.

Silver Medalists: Aiden Bain, Aidan Boutot, Phoebe Cameron, Jailyn DiNuccio, Eleanor Gouthro, Jonathan Hureau, Matt Kilfoyle, Sydney MacPherson, Anthony Pellegrino, Roy Plewa, Paxton Saluto Weeks, Isabella Souza, William Trach, Delaney Ward.

Bronze Medalists: Nolan

Ally, Rachel Botte, Ava Cailler, Madison Fay, Brendan Ferrone, Owen Gallant, Jackson Goldman, Maximus Hussey-Cerqueira, Harry Kinsella, Maura Krueger, Paul Lambardo, Stephanie MacKeen, Isa-



▲ At the SkillsUSA District competition, Shawsheen's Masonry students swept the podium. From left to right: Megan Steeves earned bronze, William Trach took silver, and Autumn Halas claimed gold.

(Photo Credit: Allison Cammarata)

bella Molina, Sean Morgan, Gianna Peach, Kylie Plowman, Josh Powderly, Lorraina Raposa, Tucker Robinson, Alyvia Row-sky, Seth Ruchalski, Mary Schmidt, Evangeline Schwartzkopf, Megan Steeves, Spencer Talbot.

The Shawsheen community looks forward to supporting these talented students as they advance to the state competition, and celebrates their continued pursuit of excellence in career and technical education.

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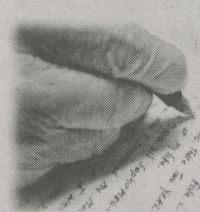
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~notice concerning local spring election~

The *Town Crier* will not accept any letters related to the upcoming Wilmington election the week of the election. All letters should be in by Tuesday, April 15 at 5 p.m. for the Wilmington election. Thank you.

Fennelly has 'experience and leadership' needed for School Committee

Dear editor,
I am writing to offer my endorsement of Jesse Fennelly for reelection to the Wilmington School Committee. I believe that Mr. Fennelly has the right combination of experience and leadership to continue to move the Wilmington Public Schools in the right direction.

This is a crucial time for our schools as we are currently facing the hiring and onboarding of an interim Superintendent of Schools and important milestones in realizing the new elementary school in town.

Mr. Fennelly and I were both elected to the Committee in 2019 and he has been a consistent and reliable colleague for the past six years. I have seen how he carefully considers each issue and listens both attentively and critically to each member.

In the most recent two years he has taken on additional leadership responsibilities with the committee as both the vice-chair and now as the current chair of the School Committee. Mr. Fennelly offers important insights and works in a cooperative fashion that allows our district to move forward.

The work of the School

Committee goes well beyond the twice monthly meetings that many in town are familiar with. Mr. Fennelly has served on numerous subcommittees and projects in town. Frequently these projects involve working closely with other elected board members in town or helping to negotiate fair and equitable contracts with our teachers, paraprofessionals, and other bargaining units.

He has shown a high level of skill in working collaboratively. This is the type of school committee member Wilmington currently has in Mr. Fennelly and the type that Wilmington Public Schools needs and deserves for its continued bright future.

I hope you join me in voting for Jesse Fennelly for School Committee. I know that Mr. Fennelly will continue to lead in these uncertain times. I have a deep level of trust in him and I know that he is the right choice for the families, children, staff, and all those who care about the Wilmington Public Schools.

Sincerely,
Jay Samaha
Wilmington School Committee Member

Successful Trivia Night for TMHS PAC

To the editor,
On Thursday March 13, 19 teams of 10 gathered at the Hilton Garden Hotel for the 17th annual TMHS PAC trivia night fundraiser. Six rounds of questions and it was the McMoynies Team led by Beth McFadden & Jen Moynihan who pulled out the championship win with the Irish Wrist Watchers finishing in second place.

The Tewksbury Memorial High School PAC would like to thank all the trivia teams for their continued support of this wonderful night each year. This important event helps fund the TMHS PAC Scholarships, our All Night Long safe celebration event for the graduates, and allows us to donate funds to the freshman, sophomore and junior classes.

A big thank you to Lori Carriere for the support with generating our trivia questions and our DJ, Dee Lydon.

The TMHS PAC would like to thank the Hilton Garden hotel for donating the ballroom for Trivia Night and being so accommodating. A big thank you to the individuals and following local businesses who generously donated items for our Raffle table:

Sandra Areias, Serina Ryder, Sara Cohen, Paquette family, Erin Guendner, Melissa Kelleher, Eva Durkin, Paige Impink, Karina Melki, Al Fresca Market, Auntie Dog training school, Wicked Cheesy, Aprils Way Creations, Magic Paint Brush, Boston Duck tours, Nashoba Valley Ski resort, Tree House Brewery, Luxe Salon, Karma Hair salon, Becky Watchorn, Kristi Palma, and our many parent volunteers whose help throughout the night is appreciated.

Thank you,
Tewksbury Memorial High School Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Book Stew Review

'Isola' by Allegra Goodman

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Caira, incumbent, seeks Select Board seat

WILMINGTON — Selectman Kevin Caira has announced his candidacy for re-election to the Wilmington Select Board.

First elected in 2016, Caira said, "My goal is to ensure that Wilmington continues to grow responsibly, that we maintain its affordability, and that the town adequately provides programs and services for all our residents."

Prior to his serving on the board, Caira served the town as vice chairman of the Yentile Farm Recreational Development Committee and the Nine Cross Street Fundraising Committee. His leadership helped build the largest and most comprehensive recreational facility in Wilmington.

During his nine years as selectman, he has served on numerous committees including the Tax Increment Finance Committee, which enabled major expansion of Analog's global headquarters in Wilmington, the Town Hall & School Administration Building Committee, and the MSBA Wildwood School Building Committee.

As chairman of the board, he worked with the legislative delegation and MBTA administration to initiate the construction of a new platform at the North Wilmington Train Station. He established the Economic Development Committee and the

Rink Committee for which he continues to serve as a member.

Caira highlighted several accomplishments over the past nine years, including the hiring of a new town counsel, town manager, finance director and the town's AAA bond rating.

Caira initiated the Butters Row Bridge replacement project, the expansion of the Wildwood Cemetery, and the lease of over eight acres of recreational space on Lowell Street. He spearheaded the funding for the roof and window replacements at the Harnden Tavern and he was a strong supporter of the new Senior Center.

Since being on the board, he has voted to reduce the tax burden on Wilmington residential tax payers. Recognizing the need for more affordable housing, he advocated for the town inclusionary bylaw.

Caira supported the creation of a substance abuse coordinator position. He has been a strong supporter for veterans' services and public safety. Town Manager Eric Slagle publicly recognized Caira for identifying town property near the Regional Health Center as the location of a new fire substation.

Long active in the community, Caira was a found-

ing member and vice chairman of the Wildcat Athletic Alumni and Friends Association. He coached Wilmington Little League and Senior League baseball and served as a basketball coach for the Wilmington Recreation Department, where with the department, he initiated a new basketball program for high school juniors and seniors.

Caira is a longtime supporter of the Wilmington Band Parents programs; a member of the Wilmington Knights of Columbus; the Wilmington Kiwanis; and a member and former President of the Wilmington Sons and Daughters of Italy, where he spearheaded numerous programs and fundraising drives in support of many important town initiatives.

His organizational and leadership skills resulted in his election to many prominent positions in the Sons and Daughters of Italy including that of state president and national vice president. He was instrumental in securing a grant with the Italian government for Wilmington High School to re-establish the Italian language program.

Caira recently retired as the Retirement Administrator for the City of Amesbury after 12 years of service. Prior to his position in Amesbury, he

worked 21 years as an administrator for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Retirement System.

"I know what it takes to forge consensus among people of diverse viewpoints. If re-elected to the Select Board, I will continue to conduct myself both in public and private as I have all my life, civil in tone, respectful of others, and tolerant of a wide variety of opinion. I will continue to be a strong, independent voice on the Select Board. Residents can be assured that every decision I make will be what I believe is in the best interest of the Town of Wilmington."

Caira, who grew up on Chestnut Street, is a 1980 graduate of Wilmington High School and furthered his education at Boston State College. He and his wife Cheryl (Lumb) live on Woburn Street. Both of their children, Amy and David are graduates of Wilmington High School.

"I believe that each one of us has an obligation to help our community. I am honored and privileged to be given that opportunity to serve Wilmington as a member of the Select Board, and I encourage residents to reach out to me with their questions or concerns via my phone number (978-657-7734) or email address (kevincaira57@gmail.com)."

Gov. Healey extends hybrid and remote public meetings

BOSTON — Governor Maura Healey signed an Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency. This legislation will permit state and local public bodies to conduct public meetings in a hybrid or remote format while also allowing participants at town meetings to participate remotely.

"This law allows everyone, no matter where they are in our state, to engage in important discussions that affect their lives and makes it easier for everyone to have their voices heard in our government," said Governor Maura Healey. "We don't want anyone to be held back from attending public meetings because they don't have a ride or child care or because they have a disability. We're grateful for the partnership of the Legislature and local officials as we work together to increase access to participating in our democracy."

"As a former mayor, I've seen firsthand how local government works better when we have strong public participation," said Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. "Lowering barriers for people to get involved in public meetings will help ensure that local services meet the needs of the community while also inspiring new ideas and making sure people get their questions answered."

"One of the lessons we learned from the pandemic was that using technology for public meetings expands access and civic participation across government," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "With this extension, we are removing barriers to participation and residents will continue to be able to be active participants in governmental decisions remotely."

"I have heard loud and clear from my colleagues,

and the communities we represent, that hybrid meetings have increased access, engagement, and transparency in local government," said Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland). "There is no reason that a family obligation, a car breakdown, a disability, or any other life circumstance should get in the way of making your voice heard on an issue you care about in your community. I'm glad that we are taking action to keep this tool in our civic engagement toolkit, and I'm grateful to the governor for her signature and to our partners in the House for their collaboration."

"I'm pleased to see this commonsense measure to extend authorization for certain remote meeting provisions signed into law by the governor. This provision, now available through June 30, 2027, was first adopted during the COVID-19 pandemic

and subsequent state of emergency. We now enable public bodies and town meetings to continue offering remote and hybrid access to public meetings. This remote option has substantially increased resident participation and engagement in local government and has made it easier for public bodies to manage their meetings with both equity and transparency. Thank you to Governor Healey, as it's been clear from municipalities across the Commonwealth that they want to continue to offer this expanded access," said Senator Michael J. Rodrigues (D-Westport) Chair of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means.

Earlier this year, Gov. Healey and Lt. Gov. Driscoll proposed the Municipal Empowerment Act, which would make hybrid and remote access to public meetings permanent.

Another successful jewelry sale hosted by the Friends of the Wilmington Library

To the editor,
On behalf of the Wilmington Memorial Library staff, I would like to thank the Friends of the Wilmington Library for their work on their fifth annual Jewelry Sale.

Held on April 4 & 5, this sale was once again very successful. All the proceeds go to supporting library programs, services and staff

professional development. All the members of the Friends executive board and Jewelry Sale Committee are tireless volunteers who put in countless hours preparing for and implementing this unique fundraising endeavor.

The sale attracted hundreds of shoppers over both days. Thank you also to all who donated jewelry

to the sale. We'll see you all next year when you shop for that next bejeweled bargain!

Sincerely,
Nathalie Harty,
Director — Wilmington Memorial Library

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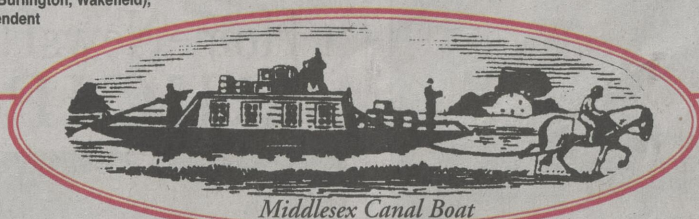
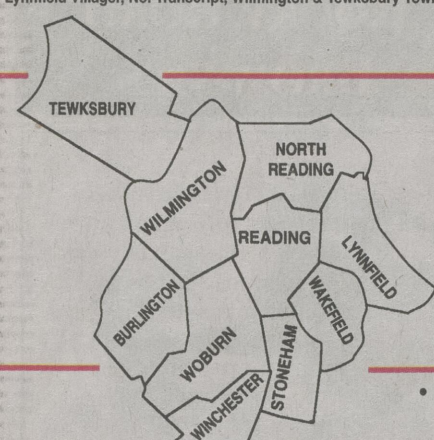
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As work continues on new \$317 million vocational school in Wakefield...

Northeast Metro Tech officials secure big victory in wetlands work battle

By PATRICK BLAIS

Northeast Metropolitan Regional High School officials recently hailed a state appeals board officer for affirming that the construction of a new \$317 million school campus by Wakefield High School will not violate state wetlands protection laws.

In mid-March, Mass. Office of Appeals and Dispute Resolution (OADR) representative Margaret Stofa dismissed sweeping claims by Wakefield's Christine Rioux and nine other town residents that the state-funded school construction project would destroy protected species and wetlands habitats situated within a largely undisturbed forest that sits on top of hilly terrain where a new 386,000 square foot school and associated playing fields and access roads are being constructed.

The decision, though technically not final until it's formally adopted by Mass. Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Commissioner Bonnie Heiple, could potentially end a years-long quest by "Save the Forest and Build the Voke" activists to block the construction of a new secondary access road to the new school from Hemlock Road.

"Thank you to OADR and the Presiding Officer for their careful consideration of all the facts. This ruling has once again affirmed what we've known all along — that this is an appropriately designed project by our design professionals," Northeast Metro Tech Superintendent David DiBarri stated in a prepared statement issued in late March.

"Our vision for a new school is guided in part by good stewardship of our local resources. This project will benefit students and our member communities tremendously. I hope we can proceed with construction of the driveway soon," DiBarri added.

"Save the Forest" representatives, who maintain and actively post on both a website and social media sites, have not yet formally responded to the OADA recommendation. Assuming the Mass. DEP Commissioner signs off on the presiding officer's recommendation, Rioux and others who initiated the challenge reserve the right to appeal further



CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES - Northeast Metropolitan Regional High School officials continue the construction of the new \$317 million school campus after a recent court ruling stating that the related work will not violate state wetlands protection laws. (Courtesy Photo)

to Middlesex Superior Court.

Back in January of 2022, citizens from Northeast Metro Tech's 12 member communities - which includes Reading, Stoneham, Winchester, Woburn, Wakefield and North Reading - voted overwhelmingly in favor of appropriating \$317 million to construct a new four-story school on roughly 15-acres of undeveloped land that sits atop a hill that looks over the existing campus.

The Mass. School Building Authority (MSBA), which is making an oversized \$140.85 million contribution to defray the cost of the project, also endorsed the construction plan in Aug. of 2021 after working alongside a local building committee for nearly 2.5 years to study various options for the project.

However, in the months that followed the Jan. of 2022 election, as Wakefield town officials and residents apparently discovered for the first time that the selected school site would require substantial blasting and the clear-cutting of hundreds - if not thousands - of trees, the "Save the Forest" group was formed in an attempt to convince MSBA and Northeast Metro Tech officials to select an alternative location. At the time, "Save the Forest" representatives

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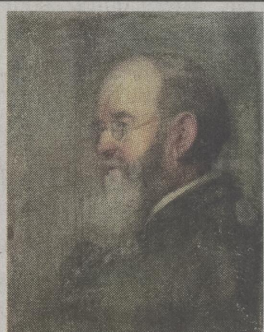
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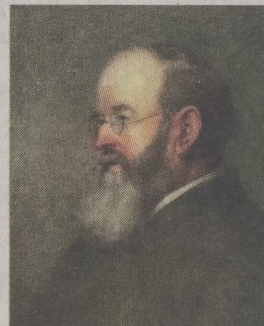
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GAME ON - From left, Jack Black, Jason Momoa and Sebastian Hansen in a scene from "A Minecraft Movie" released from Warner Bros. Pictures. (Warner Bros. Pictures via AP)

Movie Reviews & Box Office News

Jason Momoa shines in 'A Minecraft Movie'

By MARK KENNEDY AP
Entertainment Writer

The latest IP to be mined into a Hollywood blockbuster is appropriately a video game that celebrates digging: "A Minecraft Movie."

Like "The Super Mario Bros. Movie" and "Jumanji" before it, "A Minecraft Movie" centers on four misfits who enter a mysterious portal that pulls them into a strange land, this time cubic, like Lego only on shrooms.

The Jared Hess-directed action-adventure artfully straddles the line between delighting preteen gamers and keeping their parents awake. It's an often-bananas adaptation, with bizarre digressions into turquoise blouses and tater tot pizzas. It has Jennifer Coolidge being very Jennifer Coolidge. Need we say more?

If you've never heard of "Minecraft" — or its denizens like Creepers, Piglins, Villagers and Endermen — you are in big trouble. Consult with the closest 10-year-old immediately. (I have one and he noticed a sweet nod to the late YouTuber Technoblade, an Easter egg of sorts.)

The movie is faithful to

the world of the game, while adding some things — orbs and crystals — to aid the plot. But if you come in cold and spot pandas and folks punching through earth, you'll likely side with one human character who says: "This place makes no sense."

Our travelers — a sweet brother and sister (Emma Myers and Sebastian Eugene Hansen), their nutty real estate agent (Danielle Brooks) and a deeply dumb, washed-up pro video game player (Jason Momoa) — are guided by Jack Black, playing an expert crafter named Steve stranded in the world.

If it does anything, "A Minecraft Movie" marks the comedic coming of age of Momoa, who has shown glimpses of his chops in the "Aquaman" and "Fast X" movies. But when he's not on screen in this one, it leaves the movie slack, which is saying a lot when you have Black being his full-force, over-the-top Black.

"There's no 'i' in 'team' but there are two 'i's in 'winning,'" Momoa says as Garrett "The Garbage Man" Garrison, who is fond of fingerless gloves and a Barbie-pink leather jacket with a fringe. In another scene, he

notes: "Paper doesn't grow on trees."

The screenplay written by Chris Bowman, Hubbel Palmer, Neil Widener, Gavin James and Chris Galletta is as loosey-goosey as you'd expect from five different voices, with a traditional Marvel-style battle at the end fueled by plenty of "Let's do this!" declarations but with a surprisingly goof-ball first half.

Like countless films before it, "A Minecraft Movie" is all about the quest to go home, which in this case means navigating zombies, skeletons shooting fire-tipped arrows and a place called The Nether, a perpetually dark hell where horrible creatures mine for gold. For some reason, the ruler there, a piglike witch, has glowing eyes and a British accent.

The writers make some "America's Got Talent" jokes, Black has a few songs — including a bizarre "Steve's Lava Chicken" — and we spend an inordinate of time focused on Momoa's butt, but it all ends in a dance party. The movie has a "Dark Crystal"-meets-"Transformers" vibe, a too-subtle message about financial failure and something about friendship.

The filmmakers do have

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BROWNIE POINTS - When people say leave the best for last, they had peanut butter rocky road brownies in mind. These decadent pieces of chocolate heaven have everything you'd ever want from a sweet-inspired bite. We're talking brownies, peanut butter, marshmallow crème, peanuts, chocolate chips and candies all in one. Yum! Take your brownie game to new heights and keep delicious treats like this coming out of your kitchen.

STEPS

1. Heat oven to 350°F (325°F for dark or non-stick pan). Grease bottom of 9-inch square pan with shortening or cooking spray.

2. Make and bake brownies as directed on box for cakelike brownies. Cool completely on cooling rack, about 1 1/2 hours.

3. In medium bowl, beat marshmallow crème, peanut butter and milk with electric mixer on medium speed until smooth and creamy. Spread over cooled brownies. Sprinkle with candies and peanuts.

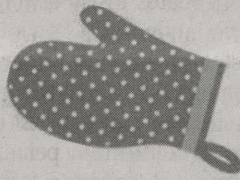
4. In small microwavable bowl, microwave chocolate chips uncovered on High 20 to 40 seconds, stirring halfway through, until chips can be stirred smooth. Spoon into resealable food-storage plastic bag; partially seal bag. Cut small tip from corner of bag; drizzle over top. Refrigerate about 15 minutes or until chocolate is set. Cut into 4 rows by 4 rows.

EXPERT TIPS

• Cut these rich bars into bite-sized squares and serve in decorative papers.

INGREDIENTS:

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- Water, vegetable oil and eggs called for on brownie mix box for cakelike brownies
- 1 cup marshmallow crème (from 7 oz jar)
- 1/3 cup creamy peanut butter
- 2 teaspoons milk
- 16 Reese's peanut butter cups miniatures, unwrapped, chopped
- 1/4 cup chopped salted peanuts
- 2 tablespoons semi-sweet chocolate chips



characters throw eggs — at these prices, is that smart? — but they don't lean enough into the celebration of creativity this movie seemed to promise when it started.

Hollywood's embrace of gaming has been yielding hits such as HBO's "The Last of Us" and Amazon Prime Video's series adaptation of the Microsoft-

owned "Fallout." More adaptations are on the horizon this year: "Until Dawn," "Mortal Kombat 2" and "Five Nights at Freddy's 2."

As for "A Minecraft Movie," the advice is this: Come for the Piglins, stay for Momoa, whom you will see spectacularly failing at being bilingual and jujutsu-ing opponents dressed like a member of Skid Row. It's

everything you ever needed.

"A Minecraft Movie," a Warner Bros. Pictures release that's in theaters Friday, is rated PG for "violence/action, language, suggestive/rude humor and some scary images." Running time: 101 minutes. Two and a half stars out of four.

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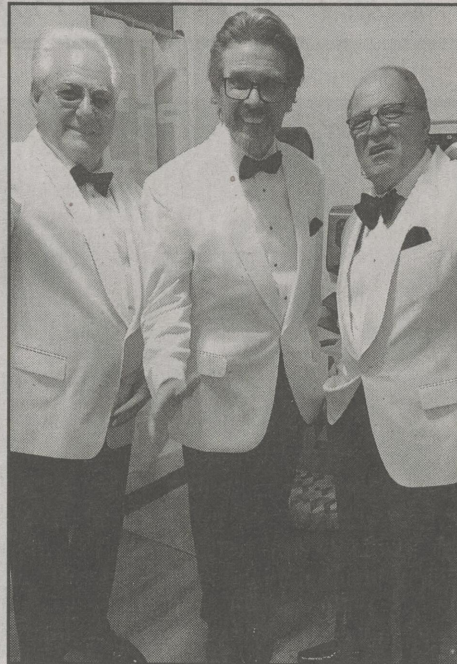
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Thursday, April 24th at 7:30 p.m.

The Duprees, Hall of Fame
Doo-Wop band to perform
at Arlington's Regent Theatre

On Thursday, April 24th at 7:30 pm singer, and front man for the Duprees, Tommy Petillo will take the stage for a landmark performance fifty-six years after he graduated from high school in New Jersey. Back as the front man for The Duprees since 2002 he continues to promote his 2018 book, "We Need More Love Songs" which chronicles his life with the Duprees, renowned as the Ambassadors of Love Songs. Petillo has been a part of The Duprees for over 46 years, contributing his dynamic vocals while becoming a spokesperson of their heart and soul as they continue to tour nationally and re-capture hearts with iconic Doo-Wop classics

Petillo, who is now 75 years young recently said, "There is way too much hate played out today and it runs the gamut from public media to violent video games, movies, bullying in schools and it shows itself in the music of our times too." The Duprees will counter in two weeks by singing hits like "You Belong to Me," "My Own True Love," "Have You Heard," and "Why Don't You Believe Me," all of which were Top-40 hits. Those timeless songs, and the many other dynamic medleys performed on-stage will capture kinder moods and deep meanings that will resonate with those who join in the fun. When brought to life by the smooth harmonies of Tommy Petillo and his Doo-Wop partners on-stage (Jimmy Spinelli, and Shawn Stevens) those classics will evoke emotion in sparking memories and the desire to sing along while



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14 Hallmark Gdns #5 was sold to Hadidi, Kasra by Kharajian, Victoria A for \$451,000 on 03/19/25

9 Margaret St was sold to Bay Flow LLC by Vercollone 2nd, Roy L and Mason, Leslie J for \$450,000 on 03/18/25

4-A Maureen Dr was sold to Mahapatra, Asima and Mishra, Sudhira by D&t Homes LLC for \$2,150,000 on 03/21/25

LYNNFIELD

15 Stafford Rd was sold to Ferreira, Dominic and Mcnamara, Meghan by Kravitz, Anita and Kravitz, Jeffrey B for \$1,750,000 on 03/17/25

158 Walnut St was sold to Lin, Xiuping and Zhang, Guolin by Ren, Richie and Tam, Jaclyn for \$950,000 on 03/18/25

NORTH READING

63 Central St #203 was sold to Sartor, Josielo by Calisi, Janet for \$258,905 on 03/21/25

58 Concord St was sold to 58 Concord St LLC by Fifty-Eight Lp for \$2,650,000 on 03/17/25

44 Main St #9 was sold to English, Jason M by Guarino, Antonietta M for \$350,000 on 03/20/25

300 Martins Lndg #406 was sold to 64 Clifton Street Irt and Carbone, Anthony G by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$803,715 on 03/21/25

300 Martins Lndg #311 was sold to Davis Ft and Davis, James T by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$612,540 on 03/19/25

300 Martins Lndg #505 was sold to Ford, Michael and Ford, Gina by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$659,900 on 03/19/25

300 Martins Lndg #411 was sold to Ghabbour, Elham A by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$719,010 on 03/18/25

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63 Deering St was sold to Oli, Siddharth and Ahuja, Divya by Beattie, Andrew and Beattie, Shannon for \$910,000 on 03/21/25

10 Hancock St was sold to Holmes, Karissa M by Sivaraman, Ganesh and Chauhan, Monika for \$900,000 on 03/17/25

113 King St was sold to Moran, Richard and Moran, Athena E by Dobbyn, Philip B and Burke, Meghan D for \$935,000 on 03/21/25

39 Taylor Dr #2005 was sold to Gomes, David by Hui, E K and Lam, Ann S for \$739,000 on 03/20/25

43 Village St was sold to Schofield, Lane by Fisher, Paula C and Nazzaro, Jaqueline A for \$900,000 on 03/20/25

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300 Park Terrace Dr #353 was sold to Levine, Dorothy M by Misslady Farrell T and Farrell, Laura J for \$450,000 on 03/20/25

300 Park Terrace Dr #321 was sold to Mcshaffrey, Dylan by Levine, Dorothy for \$360,000 on 03/17/25

2 Valley Rd was sold to Wong, Xiao M and

Wong, Bruce by Cambria Ruth E Est and Joyce, Kristin E for \$935,000 on 03/21/25

TEWKSBURY

57 Decarolis Dr #57 was sold to Pinette, Angela by Milito, Deborah for \$430,000 on 03/17/25

1000 Emerald Ct #1215 was sold to Diserio, Gloria and Diserio, Joseph by Patricio, Isuara M and Patricio, Antonio F for \$500,000 on 03/20/25

37 Jills Way #37 was sold to Le, Lynh by Goldman, Amy for \$750,000 on 03/19/25

2131 Main St #220 was sold to Assibey, Afia O by 2131 Main Street LLC for \$259,500 on 03/19/25

WAKEFIELD

139 Albion St #139 was sold to Best Realty LLC by 139 Albion Street Rt and Brownson, Michael S for \$675,000 on 03/19/25

262 Albion St #B was sold to Simeone, Stephan and Teixeira, Jill W by Seferian, Srbui for \$705,000 on 03/20/25

7 Ballister St #414 was sold to Henrick, Kyle T and Henrick, Paige D by Torretta, Sonia R for \$278,480 on 03/18/25

7 Terrace Ct was sold to Houdek, Mackenzie and Houdek, Camryn by Difranco, Debra and Fernandez, Neftali for \$631,275 on 03/17/25

1 Isabella Way was sold to Wang, Dawei and Dong, Xin by Germano, Michael J and Germano, Edith E for \$900,000 on 03/17/25

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5 Alben St was sold to Pereira, Jennifer W and Pereira, John M by Mills Rt and Mills,

Barbara J for \$1,650,000 on 03/19/25

23 Everett Ave was sold to Hingtgen Lt and Hingtgen, Casey A by Stone, Laurence H and Stone, Patricia C for \$3,250,000 on 03/18/25

9 Robinson Park was sold to Starns, Matthew B and Masterson, Molly E by Allen, Susan and Conlon, Christopher for \$1,670,000 on 03/18/25

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14 Grant St was sold to Jutras, Marc and Jutras, Renata by Robinson, Martin S and Robinson, Barbara M for \$900,000 on 03/10/25

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2 Silvermine Rd was sold to Seaver Properties LLC by Russell, Mary-Ellen for \$225,000 on 03/12/25

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pointed out that a previous 2017 feasibility study, which had been commissioned by Northeast Metro Tech officials before they were invited in the MSBA's funding pipeline, recommended a new school be erected on an alternative open-space area adjacent to the existing 1968 building.

Opponents of the new school's location, who pointed out that the forested parcel contained various hiking trails and wetlands areas, also objected to plans to construct a new entrance into the site that sits closer to the nearby Saugus line.

"Help us stop the senseless destruction of this historic hilltop forest. Felling over 2,000 trees on over 12 acres of forested hilltop and wetlands...goes against the recommendation of the pre-feasibility study," the group contended on its website."

However, the Northeast School Building Committee that spent more than two years working to convince the MSBA to fund the project countered that they had held dozens of public meetings - including a series of forums discussing the various site options - before selecting the location for the new school.

They also argued that the Town of Wakefield had asked for the secondary driveway to be constructed in order to alleviate substantial congestion at the existing Farm Street/Nahant Road entrance that is shared by Wakefield High students.

Meanwhile, DiBarri and others pointed out that its 60-acre campus, though indeed consisting of acres of woodlands, sat directly adjacent to a recreational gem in the form of the 652-acre Breakheart Reservation, where Wakefield residents had plenty of opportunities to hike and

enjoy nature.

"This has been a long, deliberative and inclusive process that began over four years ago. The construction site in Wakefield was deemed by that process to be the only feasible site for the new building, and after significant public feedback, community meetings and the final support of our residents at the ballot, more than \$11 million has already been spent on site work for the new school, which broke ground late last year," school officials wrote in a 2023 editorial.

Situated by Wakefield High School by the busy three-way intersection of Hemlock Road, Farm Street, and Nahant Road, the existing 240,148 square foot vocational school building dates back to 1968.

Starting in 2017, when DiBarri's predecessor received a feasibility study recommending that the nearly half-century old high school be rebuilt, various Northeast Metro Tech officials began lobbying the Mass. School Building Authority (MSBA) for funding to construct a new campus.

Besides describing many deficiencies with the building itself, proponents of the project insisted that a new school was needed in response to surging enrollments on the 60-acre campus, which was serving 1,267 students despite being built for a student body of 900.

"It's all hands on deck in terms of getting a new school," longtime Northeast Metro Tech School Committee member Robert McCarthy told the Middlesex East in a Jan. of 2017 interview. "We sometimes have over 1,000 students applying, and we only bring in 325 [freshmen], so there's a huge demand for vocational

education and training."

The school building project will enable regional school officials to increase enrollment from 1,252 students to 1,600, answering statewide demand for more room for students in vocational and technical high schools. The project will also enable NEMT to add marketing, biotechnology, and medical assisting programs and to improve accommodations and programming for special education students.

In the summer/fall of 2022, as vocational school officials sought an order of conditions from the Wakefield Conservation Commission to proceed with early site work, "Save the Forest" advocates insisted work by wetlands areas violated state laws. In a major victory, the town board agreed and in a June of 2023 decision denied that permit on the grounds that it failed to meet standards for storm crossings, called for an inadequate stormwater management system, and would carry too many wildlife impacts due to the proposed tree removal.

Days later, Northeast Metro Tech officials appealed to Mass. DEP, and in a Nov. 2, 2023 ruling, the state overturned the Wakefield Conservation Commission decision and issued a so-called "superseding order of conditions".

Rioux and 9 other local residents then appealed to OADR. However, while waiting for that hearing to take place, school officials obtained permission to conduct site work within areas outside of wetlands areas.

Project opponents were devastated by the results.

"The heart of the beautiful [Northeast Metro Tech] first has been turned into a barren wasteland, destroy-

ing over 2,000 mature trees and understory of unique plants and killing all the wildlife in the area," lamented "Save the Forest" members on their website.

Meanwhile, DiBarri and other officials say the protracted battle over the wetlands permits may affect the \$317 million project's budget and completion

schedule. Currently, general contractor Gilbane Construction hopes to turn over the building for a fall of 2026 opening date.

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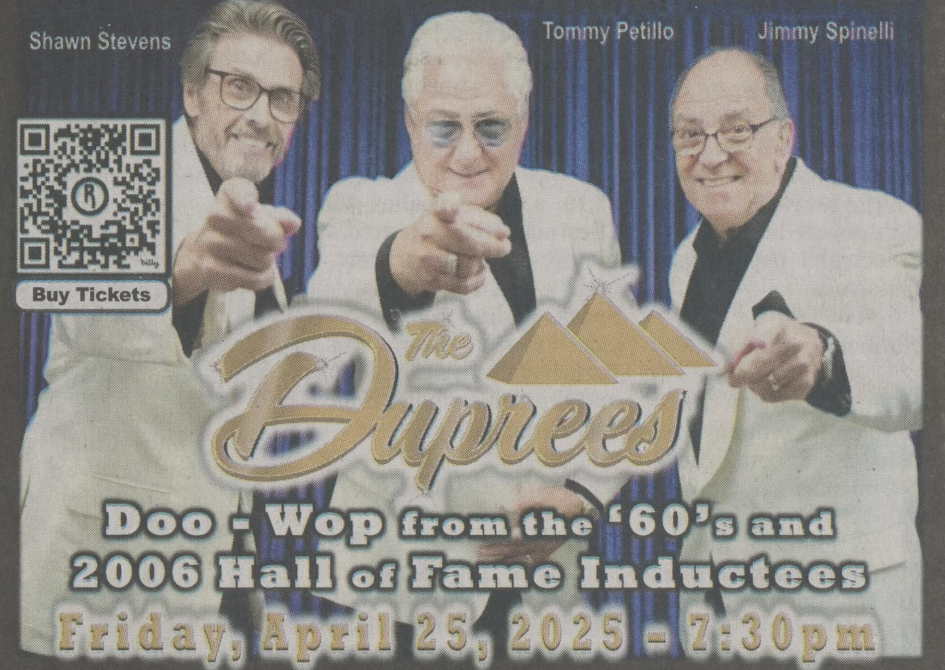
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Tewksbury Police Log

Lowell man arrested for trafficking drugs

Monday, March 31

3 a.m. - A white Toyota highlander parked in the middle of the road at Main Street and Victor Drive. Police sent. Operator checked out, and he would be on his way. All units cleared.

5:11 a.m. - The caller's brindle greyhound named Tina ran away approximately 30 minutes ago at Shawsheen Street. She weighs approximately 60 pounds. Animal Control notified. Police sent and checked the area. They were unable to located.

3:25 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a two-car motor vehicle accident with airbag deployment at Pike Street. Police and ambulance sent. Xavier Lopez, 18, of 602 Market St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with trafficking in 18 grams or more or less than 36 grams, assault and battery with dangerous weapon, negligent operation of motor vehicle, and and unlicensed

operation of motor vehicle.

4:18 p.m. - A 911 caller reported three teenagers attempting to break into the shed in the backyard of Donald Drive. Police sent. They spoke with the party who was the homeowner's son. The homeowner recently passed away and they were getting the house ready to be put up on the market.

9:41 p.m. - Caller reported a dark colored SUV had driven by her house seven times in the past 15 minutes at Marion Drive. Police sent. They spoke with the reporting party and checked out the area. Nothing was found.

Tuesday, April 1

11:58 a.m. - A 911 caller reported a coworker assaulted him at McDonalds. The caller left and was in the parking lot. Caller hung up before any more information could be gathered. Before hang up, the caller said he smashed

on his car window and accused the reporting party of taking his lunch. Lowell Police Department requested to do a well-being check.

12:45 p.m. - Caller reported Berkeley Street parties were trespassed from the location and were reported to be there now. Police sent. They were invited guests.

1:44 p.m. - Male reported the female came into the room at Hilton Garden Inn told him they needed to leave and were being kicked out and then punched him. Female party was no longer on scene. Police sent. They contacted the male and he reports he left the location and did not want to speak to an officer. Officers attempted to contact the male again and it appeared he had blocked the number. Officer contacted Dracut Police Department. They went by the residence and were unable to make contact with anyone.

7:25 p.m. - Manager at

Best Pets reported receiving threatening texts from a customer. Police sent. They spoke with the male party. He was served a no trespass notice. Officer filed a report.

Wednesday, April 2

9:43 a.m. - Caller reported a male party wearing a ski mask going through mail boxes and leaving them open at Evergreen Road. Larger male party in a tan and silver sedan headed toward Farwood. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

8:13 p.m. - Caller reported a Uhaul in the parking lot with nobody around at Northeast Christian Church. Caller would remain on scene. Police sent. The vehicle was unoccupied. They would contact the caller to get a private tow. They made contact with the Uhaul and they would be coming out to get the vehicle.

Thursday, April 3

11:08 a.m. - Caller reported a construction worker was blaring music "that states the F-word every other word" and "it's supposed to be a quiet neighborhood" at Herbert Street and Rhoda Street. The worker was at a new house that was being built and was unable to hear the caller's request to turn it

down. Police sent. They spoke to the worker, and the worker would turn it down.

12:43 p.m. - A 911 caller wore gray sweats and a tan shirt looking to have a female removed from his room at Motel 6. Police sent. Female party left willingly but would not provide her information. All units cleared.

9:24 p.m. - A 911 caller reported she could see two flashlights out black at Terramor Drive. Police sent. They reported area checked and nothing was showing. They checked the area again and still nothing was found.

Friday, April 4

1:09 p.m. - Front desk reported a male was supposed to check out at 11 a.m. and was refusing to leave until he spoke with the police department at Motel 6. Caller believed he might be intoxicated. Police sent. The party just wanted advice on how to obtain a harassment order. Male party left the property.

3:56 p.m. - Caller reported a gray Honda CRV headed on East Street toward the center and the operator had an infant on their lap at East Street and Leston Street. Police

sent. Officer checked the area, but gone on arrival.

5:20 p.m. - Caller stated male party had no room at Fairfield Inn and refused to leave. Police sent. The male left prior to arrival when the front desk asked him to leave.

Saturday, April 5

12:51 p.m. - Caller stated they received a threat over the phone from an unknown phone number at Barker Road. Police sent. Officer spoke to the party and it was a spam call.

11:41 p.m. - Caller reported a group of juveniles at the end of the road of Chivas Circle. Police sent. The homeowner had a few friends over. All was quiet and the cars were all parked legally.

Sunday, April 6

3:34 a.m. - Call from the midnight manager at Home Depot for a car alarm going off at Atamian Honda. Police sent. Officer checked the lot and there were no alarms sounding.

4:29 p.m. - Loss prevention had a male party in the officer at Walmart Police sent. Louis Quiles, 60, of 65 Summer St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with larceny under \$1,200.



Wilmington Police Log

Local resident arrested for possession of drugs

Friday, March 28:

2:21 a.m.: Brendan Liam Johnson of 22 Cottage St., in Wilmington, was arrested for OUI-Liquor over .08% and possession of an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle. This followed police checking on his gray 2021 Volkswagen Tiguan while it was stopped on Main Street.

3:54 p.m.: A caller at Windsor Place on West Street reported that her gray 2023 Kia Soul was struck in the parking lot while she was at work. Police found the other vehicle involved, and insurance information was exchanged.

4:41 p.m.: A caller on Everett Avenue reported that he believed he heard a gunshot in the area. Reading Light arrived on scene and discovered that it was an electrical pop from a transformer.

Saturday, March 29:

11:11 a.m.: An electronic monitoring company requested a well-being check for someone on Gowing Road. The person in question was found at the expected location, with their ankle monitor intact, and they will make contact with the monitoring company in the future.

3:44 p.m.: A gray 2019 Toyota Sienna and a gray 2019 Chevy Silverado were involved in a motor vehicle accident on Middlesex

Avenue. No injuries were reported, with both parties declining medical attention.

4:30 p.m.: A walk-in party from Grove Avenue reported being the victim of identity theft.

Sunday, March 30:

12:07 a.m.: Patrick Mozuch of 7 Clifton St., in Wilmington, was arrested for OUI-Liquor over .08%, negligent operation of a motor vehicle, possession of liquor by a person under 21, a marked lanes violation, speeding in violation of special regulations, and using a false or stolen RMV document. This followed a report of a black 2014 Ford F150 getting into an accident on Chestnut Street.

2:19 a.m.: A caller on Chestnut Street reported a motor vehicle accident, with a white 2021 Chevy Spark ending up on its side. The roadway was temporarily blocked off, and the driver made their way home safely.

3:27 p.m.: Peter T Hogan of 50 Middlesex Ave., in Wilmington, was issued a summons for negligent operation of a motor vehicle, a marked lanes violation, and three counts of possession of a class E drug. This followed his involvement in a motor vehicle accident between a gray 2011 Ford F150 and a white 2017 Mazda 2D on Main Street, with a caller

reporting a possible overdose inside one of the vehicles.

Monday, March 31:

6:20 a.m.: A white 2013 Infiniti G37X was involved in a rollover accident near the Boutwell School on Boutwell Street. The accident caused some property damage nearby, and a 17-year old girl was taken to the hospital after she reported she hit her head.

5:33 p.m.: A caller asked regarding seeing ZYN vapes being sold at Richdale on Middlesex Avenue.

The caller was advised to report this to the state attorney general's office.

5:46 p.m.: An employee at the Starbucks on Lowell Street reported that three women had shot water at them with water guns through the drive-thru sometime the day before at around 3:30 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 1:

1:11 p.m.: A black 2020 Nissan Altima and a black 2010 Hyundai Accent were involved in a motor vehicle accident on Salem Street. Airbags were deployed, but both people involved declined medical assistance.

1:49 p.m.: The HR manager at the Napa on Woburn Street reported that an employee quit and made threats to come back with a gun. The threats were found to not have been

made that day, and Lowell police were sent to do a well-being check on the employee. In the meantime, Wilmington police provided the company with no trespass paperwork.

3:11 p.m.: A walk-in party from Wing Road reported being the victim of identity fraud.

Wednesday, April 2:

7:30 a.m.: A white 2014 Ford Transit and a black 2022 Chevy Tahoe were involved in a motor vehicle accident on the I-93 NB Rt. 31 Ramp. No airbags were deployed, and no injuries were reported.

9:34 p.m.: A walk-in party from Olson Street reported receiving a threatening voicemail.

Thursday, April 3:

1:14 a.m.: A caller on

Harnden Street reported that someone had egged her car.

12:16 p.m.: A caller on Fordham Road reported a white 2021 Kia Sorento hit a pole in front of a business. No airbags were deployed, and no injuries were reported.

7:40 p.m.: A caller on Mystic Avenue reported a black Dodge Charger had been in her neighborhood repeatedly, following past her young daughter a few nights ago, drove back through the neighborhood two nights beforehand and again that night; this time, the vehicle was occupied by two men wearing face masks. Police spoke with the vehicle's occupants, who stated they were students at the Shawsheen Tech and were looking for a different neighborhood resident for a senior prank.

MSO Community Work Program completes project with Tewksbury police

TEWKSBURY — Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian and Tewksbury Police Chief Ryan Columbus today announced the completion of a month-long painting project at the Tewksbury Police Station by members of a Middlesex Sheriff's Office (MSO) Community Work Program (CWP) crew.

CWP crews are comprised of incarcerated individuals from the Middlesex Jail & House of Cor-

rection who are nearing the end of their sentences. Participants have completed individualized treatment plans — such as programming for substance use disorders, educational/vocational training and other needs. Each individual has been screened and approved for participation by MSO staff.

The four-man crew — supervised by an officer from the Middlesex Sheriff's Office — worked in Tewksbury between March

3-28. They painted hallways, common spaces and the training room, among other spots inside the police station.

"I want to thank the Middlesex Sheriff's Office for doing this work," said Chief Columbus. "This is just the latest example of our great partnership with Sheriff Koutoujian and the entire MSO."

"We know that this program brings great benefit not only to our local

communities, but also to the individuals who participate. The pride these individuals feel in a job well done — and the skills they gain as they prepare for re-entry back to the community — are immeasurable," said Sheriff Koutoujian. "We were glad to assist Tewksbury PD with this project and look forward to continuing our close working relationship with Chief Columbus and his team."

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First annual Women in Law Enforcement training conference

WOBURN — The MCWLEC is proud to announce their first annual Women in Law Enforcement training conference which took place April 8 and 9 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Woburn.

Tewksbury's Deputy Police Chief Alysia Columbus was the driving force behind this conference. She along with a

handful of women organized this amazing conference and got more than 150 women to sign up.

This exciting training and networking opportunity is designed by women in law enforcement for women in law enforcement and included a host of inspirational speakers prepared to empower conference attendees.

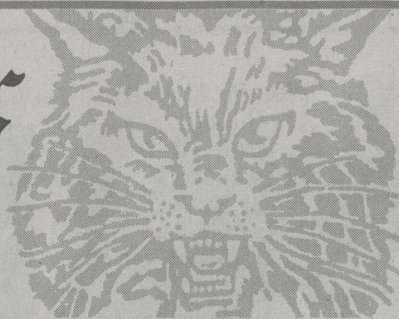
Women have made great

sacrifice and selfless contributions to the policing profession and to the communities they serve. This training conference helps strengthen and celebrate the diversity and success of women in law enforcement and prepares them for the evolving future of policing.

The keynote speakers were retired Aurora Il-

linois Chief Kristen Ziman, along with trooper Tamar Bucci's mother, Maral Bucci. Other presenters include Dr. Ben Stone and decorated Officer Ann Carrizales of the Stafford Texas Police Department.

MCWLEC is excited to make the conference an annual tradition for future women in law enforcement.



THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025



The Mite 3 hockey team included (top row, from left) Asst. Coach Mike Bergeron, John Bergeron, Cole Richard, Albert Simion, Ryan Arsenault, Asst. Coach Matt Richard, Sebastian Gramza, Daniel Ryu, John Gillis, Head Coach Jack Day; (Bottom row) Lorenzo Montalbano, Colin Knight, Cameron Day (not pictured, Peyton Pesantes). (Courtesy photo)

Mite 3 squad wins division crown

On Sunday, March 23, the Wilmington Mite 3s defeated Haverhill for the Valley League A White Division championship.

The Wildcats beat the Thunder 8-4 in the finals to bring a title back to the Wilmington Youth Hockey community.

The Wildcats jumped out to an early lead as Lorenzo Montalbano and Ryan Arsenault found the back of the net in the first six minutes of the game. After Haverhill mounted a comeback with four quick goals, Wildcat goalie Colin Knight shut down the Thunder for

the rest of the game.

John Gillis added two goals of his own to stretch the lead, and Sebastian Gramza capped off the scoring with one of his own to seal the victory.

Arsenault finished the championship game with a hat trick, and John Gillis

was awarded "Player of the Game" for his efforts on the ice.

Coach Jack Day couldn't be prouder of how his team played. "These wildcats gave their best effort today, and no surprise as they all put the work in throughout the season.

They all developed and grew so much as hockey players and as teammates, it's really no surprise they got themselves to a championship and were able to win"

The Wildcat Mite 3s finished second in the top division in their confer-

ence, secured a first round bye in the playoffs, and won both the semis and the finals on back to back days to take home the championship.

Wilmington High girls lacrosse pulls off four dramatic rallies for wins



▲ Tewksbury's Paige Crowley, left, and Wilmington's Leah Murphy battle for the ball during Friday's girls lacrosse game at Doucette Field. Tewksbury fell to visiting Wilmington 10-9. (Credit Image: James Thomas)



The comeback kids

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Wow. That about covers it. The Wilmington High girls lacrosse team's start to the spring of 2025?

Wow. After five games, the Wildcats have a 4-1 record. After four wins in the past three seasons, a 4-1 start is exciting enough on its own.

But the way that WHS has compiled those wins?

In a 10-9 win over Tewksbury, the Wildcats trailed 4-1.

Leah Murphy had the game-winning goal in that game, the last of her four goals.

Emma Ebert added three goals and two assists, Cate MacDonald had a goal and two assists, Jill Collins contributed a goal and an assist and Dani Chillemi also had a goal.

Winchester beat Wilmington by a 10-5 score in Game 2.

"We did not play our best game," said Chris Frisore, the Wildcat coach. "But we still fought hard and I think we learned a

lot in that game to get us ready for the next few games."

MacDonald had two goals for Wilmington while Murphy, Ebert and Collins had one goal apiece.

In a 7-5 win over Arlington, WHS was down 4-2 early.

Murphy had five goals, Collins scored twice and had two assists and Emma Allard added two assists.

In a 9-8 win over Shawheen, the Wildcats were down 8-6 in the fourth quarter before rallying.

Murphy scored the game winner in the last minute and had four goals and one assist.

Allard finished with two goals and one assist while other scorers included Ebert, Lindsay Broussard and MacDonald.

Monday, Wilmington rallied to beat Essex North Shore, 12-11.

The 'Cats trailed 10-5 in the third quarter.

MacDonald scored the game-winning goal for WHS.

Collins had five goals and two assists to lead the offense, Ebert had

four goals and an assist, Murphy scored twice and added an assist and MacDonald was the other scorer.

"The attitude of the team is so positive all the time because of the strong leadership we have, everyone knows their role and wants to do well in their role," Frisore said.

"Defense has been a strength especially toward the end of the games. Defense is something that we have been fine tuning for years. It feels like it's coming together now.

Offensively everyone knows their role and knows that it kind of runs through captains Leah (Murphy) and Jill (Collins) but everyone is contributing because neither of those girls are forcing anything, they are just making the right plays and stepping up when they need to. I think their leadership has really brought out confidence in the rest of the offense. I'm very proud of these girls. I hope we can continue to play with teamwork and confidence."



▲ Tewksbury's Emily Picher, right, moves the ball up the field as she is defended by Wilmington's Hailey Spencer during Friday's girls lacrosse game at Doucette Field.

◀ Tewksbury's Paige Crowley, left, moves the ball as Wilmington's Cate MacDonald trails during Friday's girls lacrosse game at Doucette Field. (Credit Image: James Thomas)



▲ Wilmington's Olivia Raposa drives the ball for a base hit during Wednesday's girls softball game against Winchester. Wilmington opened their season with a 7-6 victory. (Credit Image: James Thomas).



▲ Members of the Wilmington girls softball team huddle together during a timeout in Wednesday's girls softball game against Winchester. Wilmington, won 7-6. (Credit Image: James Thomas).



▲ Wilmington's Ali McElligott, left, scoops up a ground ball and tags out Sonia Carnes of Winchester during Wednesday's girls softball game. Wilmington won 7-6. (Credit Image: James Thomas).



▲ Wilmington's Sara Keck prepares to deliver a pitch during Wednesday's girls softball game against Winchester. Wilmington won, 7-6. (Credit Image: James Thomas).

Softball rallies to beat Winchester, 7-6

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The Wilmington High softball team certainly opened the season in style.

The Wildcats earned a walkoff victory over Winchester last week, 7-6.

The game was tied 4-4 after seven innings before the Red and Black scored twice in the top of the eighth.

Wilmington rallied to win with three runs in the bottom of the eighth.

Charlotte Forcina singled to lead off the inning and Izzy Maiella walked.

Summer Sands singled to score Forcina and make it 6-5 and Maiella scored on a grounder by Ali McElligott

to tie the game.

A fielder's choice grounder by Evelyn LaClair put runners on second and third and set up Eva Boudreau, who hit a single to score LaClair and end the game.

Sara Keck pitched all eight innings for WHS, striking out 14 and walking nine. Keck was also 2 for 3 at the plate with a walk and an RBI. She drove in two runs.

McElligott was 1 for 3 with two walks, scored twice and drove in a run. Wilmington was scheduled to play Arlington on Monday, but the game was postponed because of rain.

After facing Lexington on Wednesday, Wilmington will play at Watertown and North Reading next week.

Girls tennis falls to Winchester

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The Wilmington High girls tennis team have a tough assignment for its first match of the year.

Winchester, one of the top Div. 1 programs in the state, showed just why in a 5-0 win over the Wildcats.

Winchester lost only 11 total games in the five matches with all five victories in straight sets.

At first singles, Winchester's Daryana Skobeleva beat talented Wildcat sophomore Savannah Beatrice, 6-2, 6-1.

Andrea Bilic of Winchester won at second singles, 6-0, 6-2 against Alison D'Arco.

Third singles saw Red and Black captain Sophie Kim defeat Jaslene Ryou, 6-2, 6-2.

Winchester dominated the two doubles matches, with each team dropping only one game.

Mia Lock and Esha Bhalla were 6-0, 6-1 winners against Cara DiGiovanni and Shubhangi Tripathi at No. 1 doubles and Cate Sheehan and Avery Machemer cruised to a 6-1, 6-0 victory over Veronika Loshak and Sahana Puvanendrakumar.

Wilmington was scheduled to face Lexington on Wednesday and Stoneham on Thursday. Monday's match with Arlington was postponed.

► Cara DiGiovanni returns a volley during Friday's practice at Wilmington High School. (Credit Image: James Thomas)



Shawsheen Tech Roundup:

Baseball opens with two shutout victories

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The Shawsheen Tech baseball team opened the 2025 season with a pair of impressive performances. The Rams shutout Mystic Valley by a 10-0 score last Tuesday to start the season and then added a 5-0 win over Dracut two days later. Shawsheen is back on the field Thursday with a road game at Lowell Catholic. Junior Will Trach was outstanding on the mound for Shawsheen against Dracut. Trach allowed only a one-out bunt single in the first inning. After that hit, Dracut's next 12 batters were re-

tired in order before another bunt single with one out in the fifth. After a stolen base by the Middies, a strikeout and a pop up to shortstop Dyllon Pratt ended the inning. After a 1-2-3 sixth, Trach yielded to junior Max Carpenter, who threw a scoreless seventh inning. In his six innings, Trach struck out eight, including five in a row during one stretch. The Ram defense was solid all day with junior Jake Carr playing well at third base. After four scoreless innings, Shawsheen took the lead with three runs in the fifth. A squib single by Will Holloway led off the inning and Carr was safe when his sacrifice bunt was mis-

played by Dracut, who threw to second on the play, not quick enough to catch Holloway from first. Peter D'Orsi's bunt was booted by the DHS defense, loading the bases for Pratt, who smacked a two-run triple to left. D'Orsi was thrown out at home on the play. With two outs, senior Lukas Poirier ripped an RBI double to center to plate Pratt and give the Rams a 3-0 lead. In the sixth, Ryan Jamieson hit a one-out single, went to second on a base hit by Holloway and took third when Carr walked to load the bases. Adam Caruso's single to left scored Jamieson and Holloway. Shawsheen nearly took the lead in the second inning when Trach belted a leadoff double and Jamieson reached on an error, but a strikeout and a double play by the Middie defense kept the Rams off of the scoreboard. Nate Galanis added a one-out single in the fourth, but was stranded. Against Mystic, Poirier was the winning pitcher, tossing six innings and allowing just five hits. A seven-run first inning by Shawsheen put this one away early for the Rams. Offensively, Shawsheen was led by Holloway (3 hits, 2 RBIs), D'Orsi (hit, RBI, 2 runs) and Poirier (2 hits, run). Pratt, Carr and Trach all had extra base hits and drove in runs.



GIRLS LACROSSE
AT 3-2
The Shawsheen Tech girls lacrosse team pushed past the .500 mark with a lopsided 12-1 win over Mystic Valley on Monday. Jude Sloman had four goals and one assist to lead the way for the Rams and Fiona Rexford added three goals. Cera Salter contributed two goals and Izzy Ferguson had one goal and four assists. In previous action, the Rams clobbered Whittier Tech by a 14-1 score and lost a tight game against Wilmington, 9-8. In the Wilmington contest, Sloman had six goals and two assists for Shawsheen while Mia Vacha made 23 saves to keep the Rams in the game. Rexford and Sloman had four goals and two assists each in the Whittier victory. Ferguson had two goals one assist. Meghann Warford, Ava Noble and Shannon Robitaille all scored their first varsity goal and Val Mosquera also scored. Thursday, the Rams host Lowell Catholic at 4 p.m.

▲ The Shawsheen Tech boys lacrosse teams celebrates a goal by Niko Georgoulis during Thursday's boys lacrosse game against Milton. The Rams were a 6-4 winner. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

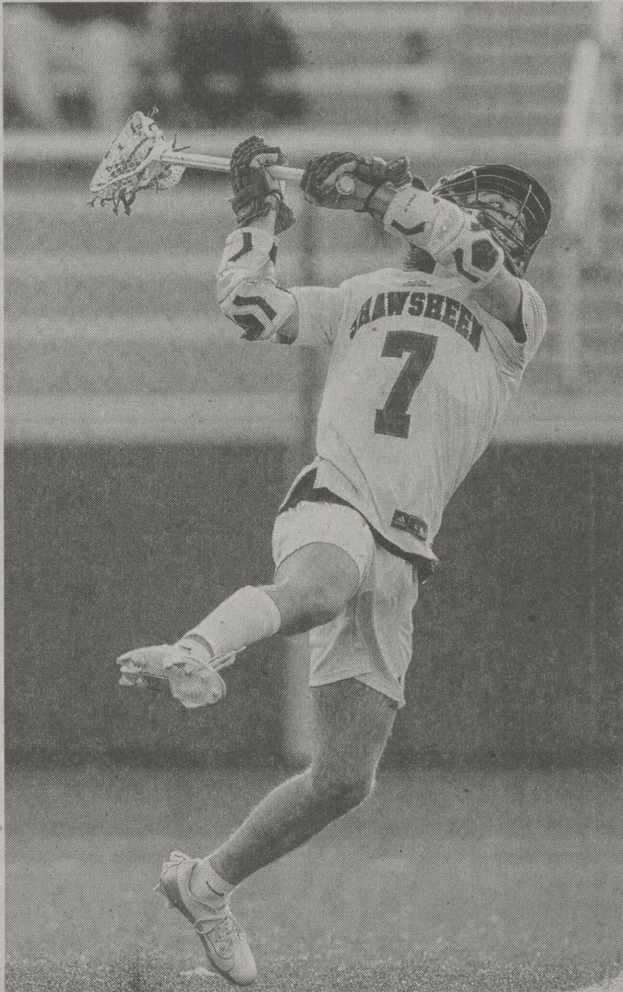


▲ Will Holloway of Shawsheen Tech lays down a bunt during Thursday's boys baseball game in Billerica. Shawsheen Tech was a 5-0 winner of visiting Dracut High. (Credit Image: James Thomas)



▲ Shawsheen Tech's Will Trach delivers a pitch during the second inning of Thursday's 5-0 baseball win over Dracut. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

BOYS LACROSSE
PERFECT AFTER FIVE
With a 20-0 shellacking of Greater Lowell on Monday, the Shawsheen Tech boys lacrosse team improved to 5-0 on the season. In previous action, Shawsheen blasted Lowell Catholic by a 19-1 score, defeated Wayland 13-4, crushed Greater Lowell, 15-1 and edged Milton, 6-4. In the Lowell Catholic game, five players had two goals each including Jacoby Patterson, Tristan Lane, Bray Carbone, Josh Baker and Zack Timmons. Adding single tallies were Cam Banda, Charlie Shannon, Braydon Johnson, Larry Cullity, Shane O'Neil, Quinn Carbone, Shaun Ricchi and Niko Georgoulis. Nate Malandain played the first 36 minutes in goal before Joe DaSilva finished up. Against Wayland, Timmons paced the offense with four goals and two assists and Baker added five points with two goals and three assists. Patterson and Lane each finished with two goals and one assist. Jack Martins, Quinn Carbone and Georgoulis also had goals. Bray Carbone contributed two assists. Nate Malandain was the winning goalie. Baker (4 goals, 2 assists) and Quinn Carbone (2 goals, 3 assists) led the way against Greater Lowell. Ricchi, Lane and Patterson added two goals apiece while Timmons, Georgoulis and Martins also scored. Against Milton, Timmons and Martins each had two goals while Patterson and Quinn Carbone had the others. Malandain made seven saves in net. Dante DiGiovanni and Nolan Harrison, both freshmen, combined to win six faceoffs.



▲ Shawsheen Tech's Niko Georgoulis shoots and scores during Thursday's boys lacrosse game against Milton. The Rams netted a 6-4 victory in their season opener in Billerica. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

Woburn Racquet Club

hosting pickleball event

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On Saturday, May 10, Woburn Racquet Club will host a pickleball tournament to benefit the Mission of Deeds in Reading. With questions about playing or sponsoring, please reach out to David McIsaac (david.mcisaac@missionofdeeds.org). There will be three options of play: 3.0-3.4 round robin and tournament, 3.5+ round robin and tournament, and a 2.0 - 2.5 beginner's clinic. The 2.0 - 2.5 Beginner's Clinic will be from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. with a maximum of 16 players. The cost is \$30 per person. The event is led by Marjorie Berger. Berger has been organizing and teaching pickleball for the last 15 years around Metro North Boston. She is a USA Pickleball Ambassador working with others in Eastern, Mass. to

promote and expand the game in towns and cities. Currently she works with local recreation departments, community centers and Woburn YMCA's to teach the basics of the game and strategies of play. The 3.0 - 3.4 Round Robin and Tournament will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at a cost of \$50 per team. Participants must sign up as a team. Open play. Teams can be mixed. Both players must be same rating range. The 3.5+ Round Robin and Tournament will run from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at a cost of \$50 per team. Participants must sign up as a team. Open play. Teams can be mixed. Both players must be same rating range. Additional details: • Must be 18+ to register for any of the above events • Please wear court shoes (tennis or basket-

ball; with a flat bottom) • For the round robin and tournament play, both players on a team must be in the rating range • All registrants must sign a waiver prior to playing • These are not sanctioned tournaments. The goal is to have fun and support a cause. • All players will be required to sign a waiver on May 10 prior to playing • Not sure of your rating? Check out USA Pickleball for a guide. The Mission of Deeds is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, volunteer-based organization located in Reading that gives beds, furniture, and basic household items, free of charge to those in need. For more information on the Mission of Deeds, email info@missionofdeeds.org or call 781.944.9797. To contact Woburn Racquet Club, call 781-933-8850.

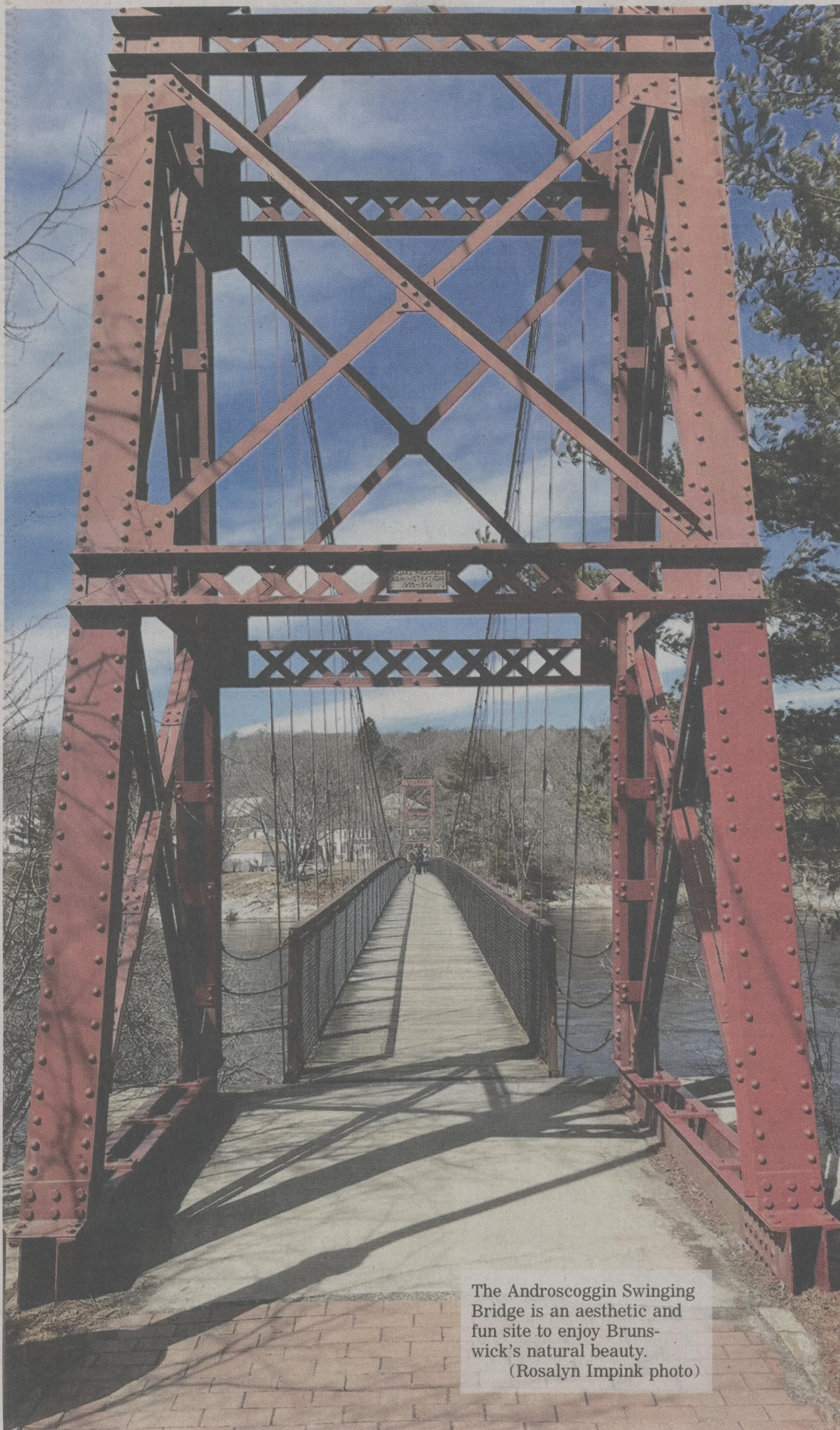
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The Androscoggin Swinging Bridge is an aesthetic and fun site to enjoy Brunswick's natural beauty.
(Rosalyn Impink photo)

Lifestyle

Brunswick, Maine offers classic New England charm

By ROSALYN IMPINK
News Correspondent

Head north to discover a new spot in Vacationland: Brunswick, Maine. This historic college town has a classic New England charm with something to do for everyone. Just two hours away from the Merrimack Valley, Brunswick is an easy and fun day trip.

Start your day with a stop at the Brunswick Diner. This vintage dining car restaurant has been open since 1946 in different iterations. Get there early for a hearty breakfast or enjoy the leisurely brunch menu. We were impressed by the unique menu selection and highly recommend the chicken and waffles.

The diner also serves a classic Maine tradition — the red snapper hot dog, so named for its distinctive bright red color and snappy bite. The diner also offers a fun range of cocktails, as well as fresh lobster and crab dishes.

When you're ready to burn off some calories, make your way to the Androscoggin Swinging Bridge. A Maine Historic Civil Engineering Landmark, the bridge was built in 1892 to connect the towns of Topsham and Brunswick, allowing for critical economic development in the region.

Spanning the Androscoggin River, the bridge makes for a beautiful photo opportunity — and really does swing. The bridge is the start and end point of the Androscoggin Riverwalk, a flat, 1.3 mile loop along the river with views of the historic Fort Andross mill and Brunswick Falls.

Brunswick has a wealth of museums and historic sites that make it an ideal destination in any weather. The Pejepscot History Center operates three properties: the free

Pejepscot Museum, which hosts annual rotating exhibits exploring the region's history; the Joshua L. Chamberlain Museum, home of the Civil War general and former Bowdoin College president; and the Skolfield-Whittier House, a restored nineteenth-century home.

Tours are available but schedules are limited, so be sure to check online in advance.

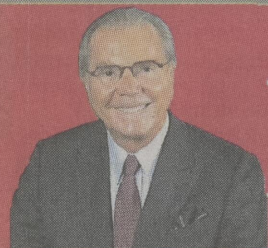
Nearby Bowdoin College is also home to several museums, including the free Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum, which focuses on the natural flora and fauna of the Arctic, as well as the indigenous people who have called the Arctic home for thousands of years.

The Bowdoin College Museum of Art is also free, hosting thousands of historical objects and artworks with a rolling collection of exhibitions. The museum is housed in the historic Walker Art Building, which in itself is a work of art.

Just a few miles down the road is the Maine Maritime Museum in Bath on the banks of the Kennebec River. Bath has a fascinating naval history, with Bath Iron Works serving as a major producer of ships during World War II. The museum explores Maine's maritime history and traditions, from early shipbuilding to modern boats, through historical objects and interpretive panels.

The 20 acre campus provides young and old alike with an opportunity to get outside; a full size sculpture of the schooner Wyoming, the largest wooden ship ever built, helps visitors get an idea of the giants that used to be constructed in Bath.

Whether you're interested in history, art, or a good meal, Brunswick offers visitors a chance to get to know Maine's unique history.



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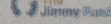
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OBITUARIES

John E. Edwinson

Marine Corporal killed in action during WWII

United States Marine Corporal John E. Edwinson, Jr., a Wilmington native, age 21 at the time of his death, was killed in action during WWII on Sept. 24, 1942, when his unit was ambushed at Guadalcanal.

John was born in Lowell on March 17, 1921; he was the cherished son of the late John E. Sr. and Vera M. (Britton) Edwinson and the eldest of six siblings.

John was raised and educated in Wilmington and a graduate of Wilmington High School with the Class of 1938. John and his family lived on Taplin Avenue; he along with his siblings and friends spent many summers swimming at Silver Lake or skating in the winters.

John lost his mom in 1936 at the age of 15; always the responsible one he stepped up to help his dad raise his younger siblings.

John and his brothers also worked hard alongside their father who was a stone mason; they constructed countless stone and block foundations around town, they also did stonework at the Wildwood Cemetery, and following World War II John's dad and brothers did the block foundation for the VFW Hall on Main Street in Wilmington to honor all fallen or disabled Veterans.

John was the beloved brother of the late Christine Holland and her husband Marion, the late Merlin Edwinson and his wife Harriet, the late Sarah Carter and her husband Charles, the late Carl Edwinson and his wife Harriet, and the late Dottie Blaha and her husband John. He is survived by three generations of nieces and nephews and their families.

John enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on Oct. 22, 1940; he was proud to join the war efforts going on across the country and do his part to keep America safe. In 1942, he was serving with Company A, 1st Battalion, 7th

Marine Regiment on Samoa, they were undertaking jungle warfare training when his platoon was called up as reinforcements.

The Seventh Marine Regiment under the command of Lt. Colonel Lewis B. "Chesty" Puller landed on Guadalcanal on Sept. 18, 1942, to reinforce the beleaguered 1st Marine Division commanded by General Alexander A. Vandegrift. On Sept. 24, 1942, six days after arriving on Guadalcanal, the First Battalion 7th Marines departed from the Lunga Perimeter and headed out into Guadalcanal's backcountry.

General Vandegrift ordered the Regiment to conduct patrols southwest toward Mount Austen and west to the Matanikau River in the Japanese held area of the island. After an exhausting day-long hike, the battalion reached a stream bed and began searching for a suitable bivouac.

As Edwinson's platoon was patrolling along a Japanese held roadway in the jungle foothills, the point unit was ambushed by Japanese machine gun fire. The ensuing firefight cost the lives of ten Marines and gravely wounded an additional two dozen men.

Facing difficult terrain, Lt. Col. Puller ordered his men to carry the wounded back to the perimeter and the following day they returned to bury their fallen comrades interring them in Hills X and Y.

Cpl. Edwinson was interred alongside several of his fellow Marines in the graves on Hill Y.

Although many ensuing searches went on during 1947 and 1949 the search teams were unable to locate these graves. Search efforts went on throughout the years and in early 2016 a Recovery Team unearthed military issued artifacts and a dog tag that was consistent with another missing Marine that was reportedly buried at Hill Y.

Searches continued through the years and more remains were unearthed, and on Sept. 11, 2024, the



remains of Corporal John E. "Eddie" Edwinson, Jr., were positively identified.

John's family never gave up hope for his recovery and his return to their hometown; his siblings continued to communicate with the Marine Corps. and stayed on top of retrieving information every time there was a new development in the search efforts.

Unfortunately, none of his siblings lived long enough to see him recovered, but they instilled that sense of duty and family into their children to continue the search. The family was thrilled to get the phone call that his remains were identified and they started planning his return home to Wilmington and lay him to rest with his parents.

John gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country and now it is time that we as a community welcome him home and return him to his family.

All are welcome to gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Saturday, April 26 for Visitation from 10 a.m. - noon with a Service at noon. John will be interred with Military Honors in the family lot at Wildwood Cemetery in Wilmington and all are welcome to gather along Wildwood Street between Nichols Funeral Home and Wildwood Cemetery at 12:30 p.m. as we honor our hometown hero.

(Parking will be available at Wilmington High School, Wilmington Fourth of July Building, St. Thomas Church, The Arts Center, and the Wilmington Congregational Church)

Catherine J. 'Cathy' Jensen

Traveled to almost all 50 states

Catherine J. "Cathy" Jensen, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away peacefully on April 2, 2025, surrounded by family.

Cathy was born on Jan. 5, 1931, in Brookline; she was the cherished daughter of the late Alvan C. and Marion (Hamilton) Jaquith.

As a young girl, Cathy was raised and educated in the Newton Highlands area of Newton before moving to Wilmington at the age of 12. Cathy loved her new community and made many new friends; she attended Wilmington schools and was a graduate of Wilmington High School with the Class of 1948.

Cathy was extremely active during her school years; she played sports, was involved in the drama club, she was the typist for her school yearbook, maintained excellent grades, was on the honor roll and graduated as the Class Essayist.

Cathy also had a great faith in God, and she quickly became a member of the Wilmington United Methodist Church at the age of 12; this made Cathy the longest term member to date of the church.

Cathy enjoyed being involved in youth ministry and loved to attend the Methodist Youth Fellowship meetings and socials; it was at one of those meetings that she met a handsome young man, Bill Jensen, and they became best of friends.

Cathy and Bill began dating when she was still in high school and they were married on Sept. 11, 1949. The couple settled in their Glendale Circle neighborhood where the neighbors were more like family, and they shared many wonderful times together. Cathy's family was her priority; she was a very devoted wife and mother who supported and encouraged her family to follow their dreams.

She was a wonderful homemaker and hostess; her door was always open to family and friends and her kitchen full of homemade treats that she baked herself. Cathy treasured her role as a grandmother and great-grandmother; she looked forward to spending time with her family and was so proud of their accomplishments.

Cathy was a hard worker throughout her life; she worked at a wholesale decorations store for several years while holding a seasonal position at the IRS for several years. Cathy also spent many years as a bank teller for the Melrose Savings Bank. Cathy's endearing personality along with her vast knowledge and excellent customer service skills made her quite successful in every job she held.

In her spare time, Cathy would volunteer her time and talents at the various Methodist Church suppers, fundraisers, and belonged to several women's groups throughout the years. Cathy also spent many hours volunteering at the Winchester Hospital helping patients as well as their families. Cathy was always so kind towards everyone and made them feel like family.

Cathy loved to go camping with family, friends, and neighbors whether it was long weekends or summers spent at the camp with the kids, they always had a lot of fun and made many wonderful memories throughout the years.

Cathy and Bill traveled cross country several times seeing most of the 50 states including Alaska and enjoying the beauty of the United States. Cathy and Bill also enjoyed their 50th anniversary trip to Scandinavia where they experienced a new culture, loved meeting new people and seeing where their ancestors came from.

Cathy will be remembered as a sweet lady, kind, generous, and always willing to lend a hand to others. She was an avid reader and a talented knitter who made beautiful gifts for her family and friends. Cathy loved her family with all her heart, and she will forever be missed.

Cathy was the beloved wife of nearly 70 years to the late William H. Jensen, devoted mother of William H. Jensen, Jr. and his wife Mary of Franklin, Robin Gillis and her husband Bob of Plymouth, and Peter Jensen and his wife Beth of Andover.

Lovingly known as "Grandma" or "Nana" to her grandchildren William Jensen III and his partner Israel Cervantes, Erica Jensen



and her husband Charles Muir, Jessica O'Brien and her fiancé Steve Shepard, Amanda Ingraham and her husband Tom, Hilary Nadeau and her husband Paul, Phillip Elliott and his wife Miranda, Kim Elliott, Jennifer DeLucia and her husband Rich, Robbie Gillis and his wife Kate, Peter Jensen and his wife Laura, Andrew Jensen, Christian Jensen and his wife Hailey, Laura Thomae and her husband Chris, Benjamin Perkins and his wife Brittany, and Ashely Burke and her husband Ryan.

She was "Gigi" to her great-grandchildren Jack, Aidan, Macy, Charlotte, Madeleine, Zoe, Sylvie, Lainie, Izzie, Pat, Louie, Sofia, Kiera, Lillian, Riot, Liam, Edie, Louie, Kailey, Elise, James, Sadie, and Maeve.

She was also the dear sister of the late Alvan Jaquith.

Family and friends will gather for a Funeral Service on Friday, April 11 at 11 a.m. in the Wilmington United Methodist Church, 87 Church St. (Rt. 62), Wilmington. Interment will follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Cathy's memory may be made to The Pan Mass Challenge, which gives 100 percent of money donated to Dana Farber/The Jimmy Fund where her grandson was treated and beat cancer.

Cathy was passionate in support of her son Peter's rides every year in the Pan Mass Challenge. To donate please visit <http://HTTPS://WWW.PMC.ORG/> click on Donate, rider name is Peter Jensen rider ID# PJ0010.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Nichols Funeral Home, Wilmington. To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at www.nicholsfuneralhome.com

Students participate in Student Government Day

BOSTON — More than 350 high school juniors and seniors from across the Commonwealth gathered at the State House today to participate in Student Government Day, an annual program organized by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education with the support of all three branches of state government.

Participants spent the morning learning from government officials and participating in a simulated joint committee hearing, where they discussed the proposed "Act promoting safe technology use and distraction-free education for youth."

Following the morning program, one group of students remained in the House and Senate Chambers to hear from members of the executive branch and then engaged in a simulated debate in which they acted as legislators.

Another group of students spent the afternoon at the John Adams Courthouse, where they joined the Supreme Judicial Court law clerks and interns for lunch, toured the Courthouse and learned about the state judiciary and appellate processes from justices and clerks.

"This event provides students a unique opportunity to see firsthand how they can make a difference in their communities today, and maybe even as elected officials themselves in the future," Governor Maura Healey said. "I hope all of these students will consider pursuing public service in some form."

"It is heartening to see Massachusetts students

with a passion for getting involved in government and working together to make our communities better through the political process," Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll said. "I hope this experience inspires them to continue this involvement after they graduate high school — perhaps we'll even see some of them back at the State House in the future."

"I am inspired by seeing students from across the Commonwealth discuss real and pressing issues with such thoughtfulness and depth," Education Secretary Patrick A. Tutwiler said. "Student Government Day models how to hold informed debate and seek consensus through the legislative process."

"Every year, my colleagues in the judiciary look forward to participating in Student Government Day," said Supreme Judicial Court Chief Justice Kimberly S. Budd. "This event provides an opportunity for students to see public service in action while inspiring future leaders to pursue the meaningful work of state government."

"Our work to make Massachusetts a better place to live, work, study, and do business begins with our relationships with our constituents and colleagues and culminates in the actions we take in the Senate Chamber," said Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland). "There's no better place to see that take place than right here,



in the room where it happens. I hope every student who joins us today feels inspired to get involved — whether as a citizen, advocate, staff member, or even a future elected official."

"It's an honor to host high school students in the House Chamber as they participate in Student Government Day," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "It's very important to engage our young people in our democratic process, and I encourage all of the students participating to become active in state government."

Sarah Mukkuzhi of Wal-

pole High School served as this year's student governor, and Jaleeyah Figueroa of Revere High School served as the student lieutenant governor. Both were winners of a speech competition held prior to Student Government Day.

Student Government Day was signed into law in 1947. The program provides an opportunity for educators and students from Massachusetts's public and private high schools to learn firsthand about state government, voice positions

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on current issues, participate in the legislative process, exchange views with their peers, as well as a format for government officials to have contact with students.

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Docket No. MI25P1629EA

Estate of: Michael C Paonessa
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Petition of Petitioner Tyler M
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Docket No. MI25P1715GD

In the matter of:
Colby Clerie of:
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RESPONDENT

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partment of Mental Health of
Westborough, MA in the above
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Colby Clerie is in need of a
Guardian and requesting that (or
some other suitable person) be
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on the bond.

The petition asks the court to
determine that the Respondent is
incapacitated, that the appoint-
ment of a Guardian is necessary,
and that the proposed Guardian
is appropriate. The petition is on
file with this court and may con-
tain a request for certain specific
authority.

You have the right to object to
this proceeding. If you wish to
do so, you or your attorney must
file a written appearance at this
court on or before 10:00 AM on
the return date of 04/28/2025.
This day is NOT a hearing date,
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have to file the written appear-
ance if you object to the petition.
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pearance by the return date,
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ter without further notice to you.
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appearance, you or your attorney
must file a written affidavit stating
the specific facts and grounds of
your objection within 30 days
after the return date.

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ing may limit or completely
take away the above-named
person's right to make deci-
sions about personal affairs or
financial affairs or both. The
above-named person has the
right to ask for a lawyer. Any-
one may make this request on
behalf of the above-named
person. If the above-named
person cannot afford a lawyer,
one may be appointed at State
expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug
Cafazzo, First Justice of this
Court.

Date: March 31, 2025
Tara DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

250356 4/10/25

LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate
and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000

CITATION ON PETITION
FOR REMOVAL

Docket No. MI23P5351EA

Estate of: Mary P Landers
Date of Death: 12/11/2022

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by:
Judy A Lieberman of North
Billerica MA requesting that
Jeanne M Landers of Tewks-
bury MA be removed as Person-
al Representative(s) of said es-
tate.

also requesting that: Judy A
Lieberman of North Billerica
MA be appointed as Successor
Personal Representative(s) of
said estate to serve With Per-
sonal Surety on the bond.

You have the right to obtain a
copy of the Petition from the
Petitioner or at the Court. You
have a right to object to this
proceeding. To do so, you or your
attorney must file a written ap-
pearance and objection at this
Court before 10:00 a.m. on
04/25/2025.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a
deadline by which you must file a
written appearance and objection
if you object to this proceeding. If
you fail to file a timely written
appearance and objection fol-
lowed by an Affidavit of Objec-
tions within thirty (30) days of the
return date, action may be taken
without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug
Cafazzo, First Justice of this
Court.

Date: March 28, 2025
Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

250369 4/10/25

LEGAL NOTICE



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PROBATE AND
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and Family Court
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P6006EA

Estate of:
Maureen E Kelley
Date of Death: 09/18/2024

To all interested persons:

A Petition for S/A - Formal Pro-
bate of Will with Appointment
of Personal Representative
has been filed by: Eileen R.
Grenier of Lawrence MA and
Sonya Kelley of Plaistow NH
requesting that the Court enter a
formal Decree and Order and for
such other relief as requested in
the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:
Sonya Kelley of Plaistow NH
and Eileen R. Grenier of
Lawrence MA and be appointed
as Personal Representative(s) of
said estate to serve Without
Surety on the bond in unsuper-
vised administration

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your attorney must file a written
appearance and objection at this
Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the
return day of 04/22/2025.

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**UNSUPERVISED
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THE MASSACHUSETTS
UNIFORM PROBATE
CODE (MUPC)**

A Personal Representative ap-
pointed under the MUPC in an
unsupervised administration is
not required to file an inventory
or annual accounts with the
Court. Persons interested in the
estate are entitled to notice
regarding the administration
directly from the Personal Repre-
sentative and may petition the
Court in any matter relating to the
estate, including the distribution
of assets and expenses of
administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug
Cafazzo, First Justice of this
Court.

Date: March 24, 2025
Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

250358 4/10/25

LEGAL NOTICE



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CITATION ON PETITION
FOR ORDER OF
COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

Docket No. MI21P6231PM

Estate of: Eugene L Roux, Sr.

A Petition for Order of Complete
Settlement has been filed by
Charles J Roux of Tewksbury
MA and Eric Roux of Salem NH
requesting that the court enter a
formal Decree of Complete Set-
tlement including the allowance
of a final account and other such
relief as may be requested in the
Petition.

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return day of 4/30/2025.

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tions within thirty (30) days of the
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WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug
Cafazzo, First Justice of this
Court.

Date: April 02, 2025
Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

250359 4/10/25

LEGAL NOTICE



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CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT
OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER
PROTECTIVE ORDER
PURSUANT TO

G.L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405

Docket No. MI25P1858PM

In the matter of:
Robert Tancreto
Of: Wilmington, MA
RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)

To the named Respondent and
all other interested persons, a
petition has been filed by Ryan
Barry o/b/o Willow Brook Rehab
of Wilmington, MA in the above
captioned matter alleging that is
Robert Tancreto is in need of a
Conservator or other protective
order and requesting that Jessica
Libby, Esq. of Milton, MA (or
some other suitable person) be
appointed as Conservator to
serve With Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the court to
determine that the Respondent is
disabled, that a protective order
or appointment of a Conservator
is necessary, and that the pro-
posed conservator is appropriate.
The petition is on file with this
court.

You have the right to object to
this proceeding. If you wish to
do so, you or your attorney must
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WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug
Cafazzo, First Justice of this
Court.

Date: April 7, 2025
Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

250368 4/10/25

TMHS announces National Honor Society students

TEWKSBURY

Tewksbury Memorial
High School is pleased to
announce that the fol-
lowing students have
been inducted into the
National Honor Society
at a ceremony conducted
on March 25, 2025.

To be considered for
induction into the Na-
tional Honor Society, jun-
iors and seniors must
have a Grade Point Av-
erage (GPA) of 3.8 (weight-
ed on a 4.5 scale), com-
plete 35 hours of com-
munity service by the
end of their junior year,
provide character refer-
ences, demonstrate lead-
ership potential, and
participate in a variety
of school and commu-
nity activities are consid-
ered for membership.

"We are very proud of
our students," said Dus-
tine Puma, TMHS Histo-
ry teacher and National
Honor Society advisor.
"I am so inspired and
impressed by their tal-
ents and accomplish-
ments. Not only is NHS
made up of a variety of
students who excel in
academics, athletics and
the arts, it is a commu-
nity of generous, caring
and respectful young
people."

Andrew Long, princi-
pal at Tewksbury Memo-
rial, commended the stu-
dents on their accom-
plishments representa-
tive of the four tenets of
the National Honor So-
ciety: character, schol-
arship, leadership, and
service.

Principal Long, in his

remarks to the students,
congratulated the stu-
dents and offered his ap-
preciation for the fine
work that they have done
to better their school and
their community. He al-
so commented that these
students are poised to
make great contribu-
tions to their chosen pro-
fessions in the future
because of their work
ethic, interpersonal skills
and integrity.

Principal Long offered
his congratulations to
the parents and families
of the inductees for the
fine role models they
have been for their chil-
dren.

The National Honor So-
ciety Induction Ceremo-
ny was held on Tuesday
evening, March 25, 2025
at 6 p.m. in the Dr. Chris-
tine L. McGrath Perform-
ing Arts Center at
Tewksbury Memorial
High School.

Superintendent of Schools
Brenda Regan attended
the ceremony and offer-
ed her congratulations
to the students, as well.

National Honor Socie-
ty Inductees for 2024-
2025 are:

CLASS OF 2025
SENIORS

Vincent Ciancio
Gabrielly Diniz
Sarah Doherty
Alejandra Segura
Polanco

CLASS OF 2026
JUNIORS

Kayla Amara
Lydia Barnes
Jake Batts

Jeremy Baziwe
Mariella Bellino
Isabella Belloste
Julia Borushik
Sofia Bova
Sophie Brewster
Isabella Brinquinho
Julianna Cappiello
Sophia Cappiello
Gianna Chambers
Isabella Contardi
Anthony Coppi
Alan Dang
Gabriella Davis
Mia DeSisto
Eric Dobson
Abigail Downing
Nahla Elouahi
Kamryn Frechette
Caitlyn Giansiracusa
Samuel Grathwohl
Joanna Greene
Cameron Guendner
Payton Haines
Samantha Holbrook
Sienna Howell
Vanessa Iandoli
William King
John Lightfoot
Janina Long
Kallie Mangan
Ethan Martins
Ariana McLean
Dylan McNelley
Layal Melki
Chloe Mello
Jennalisse Mercer
Jeff Victor Muyanjanja
Makenna Nelson
Emeka Olu
Steven Oppedisano
Maya Paquette
Meghan Petrone
Vincent Rodriguez
Allison Shpritzer
Angelina Silva
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TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

LAND DISTURBANCE PERMIT
SITE PLAN REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the
Tewksbury Planning Board will
hold a public hearing on April 28,
2025 at 7:10 PM in the Tewks-
bury Town Hall, 1009 Main
Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on
an application filed by Heritage
Builders on behalf of the Town
of Tewksbury for a Land Distur-
bance Permit pursuant to Chap-
ter 19 of the General Bylaw to
demolish the existing residence
and greenhouse structures, con-
duct soil remediation activities,
and construct two single family
homes as shown on plans filed
with this Board.

Said property is located at 283
Pleasant Street, Assessor's Map
46, Lot 2, zoned Residential.

The application may be exam-
ined on the Planning Board web-
page of the Town of Tewksbury's
website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should
other accommodations be nec-
essary to view the application,
please call the Community De-
velopment Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice
can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman
250355 4/10, 17/25

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the
Tewksbury Board of Appeals will
hold a public hearing on April 24,
2025 at 6:30 P.M. in the Tewks-
bury Town Hall, 1009 Main
Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 for
an application filed by Jonathan
Langone on behalf of Patrick
Brothers for front setbacks,
5.3.2.C for maximum building
coverage, 5.3.1 for side & rear
setbacks and a special permit
under section 8.1.1.C of the
Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw, to raze
the existing single-family dwelling
and reconstruct a 20'x38' single-
family dwelling with 5'x20' front
farmers porch & rear 4'x8' egress
deck as shown on plans filed with
the Board.

Said property is located at 40
NICHOLS ST, Assessor's Map
96, Lot 35, zoned Residence 40
(r40).

The application may be exam-
ined on the Zoning Board of
Appeals webpage of the Town of
Tewksbury's website at
www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should
other accommodations be nec-
essary to view the application,
please call the Community De-
velopment Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice
can also be viewed on
www.masspublicnotices.org

Nancy Rego, Chair
250363 4/10, 17/25

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF WILMINGTON
BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at
the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road,
Room 9 on Wednesday, April
16th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. on the
following applications:

CASE #4-25
685 MAIN STREET
MAP 39 PARCEL 11

APPLICANT: SE WRIGHT
PROPERTIES, LLC

REQUEST: 6.2.6 SPECIAL
PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE
GRADING, FILLING AND EXCA-
VATING IN A FLOOD PLAIN
DISTRICT

250282 4/3, 10/25

LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE
TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

Notice is hereby given that the
Select Board, as cable television
licensing authority under MGL
166A s.1, will conduct a public
ascertainment hearing on Tues-
day, April 29, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
in the Select Board's Meeting
Room at the Town Hall, 1009
Main Street, Tewksbury, MA as
part of the Town's Verizon New
England, Inc., cable television
license renewal process. The
purpose of the proceeding is to
allow the public and interested
parties an opportunity to com-
ment on Town renewal needs
and the past performance of
Verizon. Copies of renewal docu-
ments and records, if any exist
prior to the hearing, shall be
available for public inspection
and copying via the Town Clerk
or Office of the Town Manager.

In addition to the in-person public
hearing, the hearing may be
viewed in Tewksbury on Comcast
Channel 6, Verizon Channel 33,
and YouTube.com/TewksburyTV.

Input from the public is wel-
comed. The Select Board re-
quests that written comments be
submitted to the Select Board,
Town Hall, 1009 Main Street,
Tewksbury, MA 01876 on or
before noon Tuesday, April 22,
2025. By order of the Select
Board as License Issuing Author-
ity

Patrick Holland, Chair
Select Board
250192 4/3, 10/25

LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE
TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

Notice is hereby given that the
Select Board will conduct a pub-
lic hearing in accordance with
Mass. General Laws, Chapter
138, on Tuesday, April 29, 2025,
at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall,
1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA
01876 on the application by Mark
Anglin of Al Fresca Ristorante
and Market Al Fresca LLC d/b/a/
The Market Al Fresca located at
1768 Main Street, Units 1,3,4
and 5, Tewksbury, MA for the
alteration of premises. The ap-
plicant proposes creating an
opening from the restaurant into
the existing take-out area and
removing the take-out area (680
sq ft) from the existing resta-

urant. The alteration of premises
for Market Al Fresca is to add
680 square feet of the area from
the restaurant (take-out area) to
the Market Al Fresca and create
an opening to that proposed
area. The proposed new area, Al
Fresca Sweet Shoppe, is located
between Al Fresca Ristorante
and Market Al Fresca and cur-
rently there is no means of ac-
cessing the units from the inter-
ior. The applicant proposes the
above renovations to allow pa-
trons to access Al Fresca Risto-
rante, Al Fresca Sweet Shoppe
and Market Al Fresca from the
interior rather than the patrons
needing to exit one business and
taking the outdoor walkway to
enter the adjacent business.

Input is welcome from the public.
The Select Board recommends
that comments be submitted in
writing by noon to the Select
Board on Thursday, April 24,
2025.

Patrick Holland, Chair
Select Board
250364 4/10/25

685 Main St. conditions accepted

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the definitive subdivision or 81G process.

The representative added that LJR Engineering's Luke Roy was working to resolve comments from the town engineer and had a meeting with the engineering department later that week. They were also going before the Conservation Commission for review. This project's two public hearings were continued to next month.

Roy shared updates for the groundwater protection district special permit, stormwater management permit, and site plan review for 685 Main St. He explained that they added an overflow stockpile storage bin for additional storage materials per feedback from the Conservation Commission and the Planning and Conservation Department.

They also updated the floodplain information on their plans. Roy confirmed that they reached an encroachment agreement with the gas company so that their material bins could encroach on the gas easement to complete the proposed work.

The board closed the public hearing for this

project, and Gingrich described some of the conditions. She called out a requirement that a copy of an approval or access permit from MassDOT be provided to the town before work within the Main Street right of way begins.

Attorney Mike Newhouse asked if it the condition on radio signal strength was standard. Gingrich answered that this was suggested by the fire department as a standard test before occupancy. Boland said they would ask the fire department for more information on the specific fire code they were asking the applicant to satisfy. The conditions were accepted by the board as drafted.

Two projects were requested to be continued by their applicants without any discussion that night: the definitive subdivision and stormwater management permit for Eagleview Drive; and the site plan review, sign special permit, groundwater protection district special permit, and stormwater management permit for 800 Salem St. The board continued both projects to May 6.

The board later heard a report from Gingrich on the Zoning Board of Appeals case for 685 Main St.

Gingrich established that the permit before the ZBA was for the floodplain considering the balance of the proposed cut and fill. She anticipated that the Conservation Commission would approve their conditions at their respective meeting the following night. The board recommended approval by the ZBA.

They tabled the vote on the endorsement of the plans for 21A Concord Street's site plan review due to lack of information.

Gingrich discussed the subdivision control law and the construction of paper streets toward the end of the meeting. She explained that the 81G process was created by the town as a lighter version of the subdivision process to permit the building of paper streets.

She said that the process remains undefined and lacks rules and regulations. Considering that the subdivision control process approval involves the lot going on the official map and being recorded officially, while the 81G process does not, they wanted to create a policy of directing applicants to this process instead of the 81G even for paper streets.

The board's review would



Wilmington Career Fair

Wilmington High School hosted a Career Fair last week with over 40 professionals generously donating their time to participate including several alumni, WHS parents, staff from WHS and other Wilmington schools, community businesses, military branches, and public safety departments. Students learned about career path options and were able to ask questions at the event. (Courtesy photo)

be similar, but the end results would be different.

Peter Moser asked if this affects making the paper street a public street. Gingrich answered that the street will remain private until it is accepted as a public way.

Moser then asked if the town would phase out the 81G, which Gingrich said was a possibility. The board therefore voted affirmatively to direct the Planning and Conservation Department to suggest those improving pa-

per streets pursue the subdivision process.

The only construction updates were that the paving plan was underway for McDonald Road and there would be plantings along Hopkins for Darby Lane.

Board debates size of ADUs

ADUS FROM PAGE 1

from 900 square feet, but they wanted to make sure that this would pass a 2/3 majority vote. Peter Moser said that he didn't see this change as being controversial.

Chair Terence Boland added that the board could try to illustrate that their new language involves less change from the existing bylaw than what was proposed by the initial article.

A resident in the audience commented to suggest that the state likely wasn't trying to create the possibility to allow multiple units on one lot, but they felt that the language was still limiting, as the new bylaw would allow up to 1,250 square feet or 50 percent of the overall

square footage of the house, whichever is smaller.

Another resident suggested that the accessory dwelling unit of 1,250 square feet may dwarf a smaller home, but seeing that the creation of an accessory dwelling unit in general still had constraints such as the size of the lot, septic, and the potential costs, they were already proposing the best option for the town.

The board considered whether they could set limits only if the accessory dwelling units were above 900 square feet, but Gingrich suggested this may still create the potential for two units. She also said that allowing 1,250 square feet without the "or 50 percent of the overall square footage" may allow a de-

tached unit that is larger than the original unit.

They agreed they would certainly prefer to allow 1,250 square feet including "or 50 percent of the size of the overall square footage, whichever is smaller" over possibly allowing two accessory dwelling units on one lot.

They also largely said that they would be fine removing the "or 50 percent" piece if possible, although Battaglia said that she would try to determine if they could remove this language.

Battaglia also asked if the board could schedule another meeting if they found out that there was an issue removing the "or 50 percent" piece, which Gingrich confirmed.

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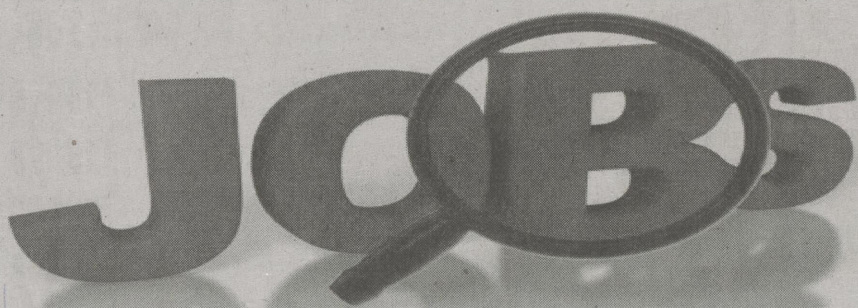
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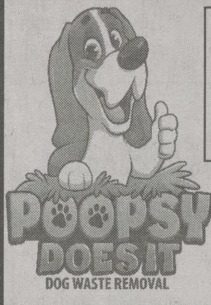
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Local residents take to the street during 'Hands Off' rally.

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said that it was necessary for people to send up an alarm in the face of democratic norms being broken.

"It feels like we as a church are very comfortable coming out and being political," he said.

"So many of the values we hold dear are threatened."

Area residents of all ages showed up with shirts and signs, encircling the town common.

"We're very passionate about this," said former Tewksbury Select Board member David Gay.

"We want Washington to understand that this many people are upset. We need to get the word out and wake people up."

"Doing nothing means nothing gets done," added Cheryl Gay.

Wilmington residents Linda Fidrocki and Debbie Corbin also sought to protest the actions of the administration.

"We're out here because we have to be, it's for our future and our kids' future," said Corbin.



Jackie and Joe Kelly, recent retirees from Wilmington, said they were fearful for the future of the country, citing cuts to Medicare, Social Security, and veterans benefits, as well as recently imposed tariffs.

"Congress needs to stand up and do their job and fi-

nally stop this craziness," Jackie said. She noted that the re-

sponse from passing cars had been largely supportive.

Chris Sanderson, a Tewksbury resident, said that it was his first time at a

protest.

"What's going on is not normal, we have to speak up," he said. "It's bringing people like me out."

Peter Hey of Wilmington attended with a group of residents.

"I'm deeply concerned with the direction our country seems to be going," he said. "We want to express our opinions on so many things, including threats to basic rights and cuts to services."

Molly Kerrigan of Tewksbury has been calling her federal representatives daily to urge action against the administration and said she felt compelled to attend the protest.

"I couldn't sit at home and wait for something to be done," she explained. "People need to see that they're not alone, they need to see there's power in numbers."

Stormwater on Gowing Road could be an issue

GOWING FROM PAGE 1

Roy also mentioned that they would extend the water main with a new eight-inch main and add a new fire hydrant at the end of the to-be-created cul-de-sac. He said that the fire department had reviewed this proposal.

Roy highlighted a challenge with the stormwater on the site currently where it typically is discharged onto Marcus Road. To improve this issue, they would facilitate a drainage pattern where stormwater is piped through the site. They would add a new treatment unit onto the site along with cache basins. Roy lastly said that he had agreed to meet the town engineer to discuss his latest comments.

Planning Board member Deanna Craig asked to clarify the size of the roadway extension, as it seemed like engineering had

measured it at over 500 feet. Gingrich provided that the entire length of Gowing Road would be counted in the overall length.

Chair Terence Boland asked if they would consider placing sidewalks on both sides of the street, as this was becoming standard for their street reviews. Roy responded questioning whether they would ask for two sides of sidewalk when the current street has none, and Boland confirmed that they would. He said that this would make a better neighborhood.

Roy agreed that the space exists, and they were already making the new street 28 feet in width when the current streets are 24 and 25 feet in width.

Craig wondered how many mature trees would be removed in the completion of this project. Roy suggested that they could count, but they didn't know that number at the time.

Gingrich mentioned that the board could decide to waive the requirement for a total counting of trees if so inclined.

Craig asked if they would waive the requirement if it was too onerous to count the trees to be removed. Gingrich agreed that could be a reason to waive it.

Roy stated that the project involved significant grading and there was little opportunity to save trees — in fact, they would be clearing to the tree line under the current proposal. He confirmed that they would count the trees to be removed.

Craig therefore wondered if they would put any buffer in the area as it backs up to an industrial building. Roy described that 30 feet of drainage easement would remain vegetated and wooded with some trees, and they would add dense planting areas.

Peter Moser asked for

the reason for the drainage easement. Roy replied that this was for the infiltration basin and pipe.

Boland asked if they had chosen the proposed zoning for all of the new lots proportionally to the zoning of the surrounding parcels, which Roy confirmed.

Several residents in the audience asked about the details of the construction including work hours, parking of construction worker personal vehicles, and keeping the area clean and safe.

Roy said that they had to follow their erosion control plan and maintain the tracking pad. Boland also pointed out that the board's conditions set things like hours of operation to ensure safety and respect for the neighboring properties.

The public hearing for this project was continued to the board's next meeting on May 6.

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